



ANSATA
ARABIAN
STUD



*"To everything there is a purpose . . .
A time to plant,
and a time to pluck up
that which is planted; . . ."*

Ecclesiastes

the purpose



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THE HISTORY

BY JUDITH FORBIS

The morning mist lay snugly in the valley below, nearly obscuring the show barn in the early light of day. The mountain range was curtained from view, yet its strength was sensed. I rose early to go jogging, and Abla, our 14-year-old Saluki, accompanied me. Today she had gone early to the barns below; with a touch of envy, I was struggling to match her brisk trot when I noticed a solitary wild rose by the roadside. I paused and visited with it for a moment. Why was it there alone? I addressed its beauty and thanked it for brightening my morning.

Heading home, I came upon the rose again, and stopped. I felt a presence behind me, and to my surprise a mother rabbit was hopping down the road straight towards me. She took her time, looked at me, then veered off into the woods. A moment later, she reappeared beyond me, heading towards the entrance to our farm. She turned towards me again, and I thought she was coming right to my feet, so direct was her path. But when she was within a few yards, she changed course and hopped into the woods.

Our crossing paths startled me into some reflective moments. Why had we come to this valley? For a long time, it seemed as if we were always going away from things, going from one country to the other and from one home to another while trying to sustain a ranch and build something we believed in. Finally the turning point came. Gradually we were guided to find the right place when we were ready to receive it. I was reminded that there is no real "stopping place" — only a period during which we are allowed to grow before another turning point arrives. Life truly is a journey, not a destination. My mind drifted back to the formative years . . .

The adventure began when I answered a *New York Times* advertisement in 1957. The U.S. government was recruiting personnel for overseas work, and within four months I found myself in Ankara, Turkey, with the International Cooperation Administration, better known as the Point Four program. The opportunity to ride with the Turkish cavalry for

recreation presented itself, and I soon bought my first Arabian mare. Together we captured the civilian jumping championship of Turkey, winning competitions in Ankara and Istanbul.

About six months later Don Forbis arrived in Turkey to manage the Halliburton Company's oil field services. We met by chance at an American PX, soon married, and when the oil field exploration shifted to southeast Turkey, we began our most unusual life among the Arabs, Kurds, and Turks while living in the ancient Roman fortress town of Diyarbakir.

We had become familiar with the Arabian horse breeding farms of Turkey, and I had also breezed Arabians on the Ankara track for several owners. Now we had an opportunity to race our own Arabians in the provincial races throughout southeast Turkey. Women were still "behind the veil" in that region, and with Don training the horses and me riding them in the races, it was a "truth is stranger than fiction" story. The Turkish men could not believe an American woman would compete against them, and they made it extremely rough. However, we persevered and won their respect as well as many of the races.

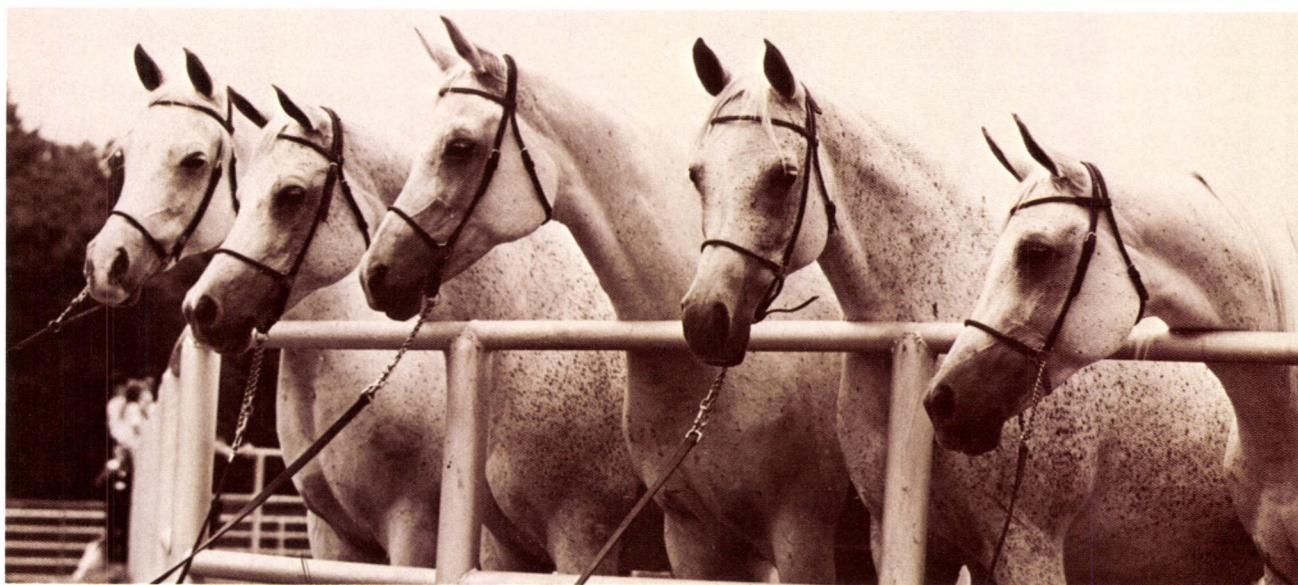
It was here that we became exposed to the Arabian horses bred by the Shammar and Anazeh tribes in the upper regions of what used to be known as Mesopotamia. Many of these tribespeople, now settled in mud villages along the Syrian border, invited us to be their guests. As a result, we learned much about the Arabian horses in the desert, past and present. And we also developed a feel for their origin and history. We traveled throughout the Middle East and studied the horses still being bred there. We corresponded with Carl Raswan, because we found his books most informative, and also noted that many of his statements regarding strains still held true. We began to formulate in our mind's eye the classic Arabian that we were looking for, but we did not find any consistent breeding programs in all our searching throughout Turkey, Syria and Lebanon.

At the close of 1959 we left Turkey, and en route to the States stopped in Egypt, at the suggestion of Carl Raswan, to visit the Egyptian Agricultural Organization's breeding farm, formerly known as the Royal Agricultural Society. Raswan's friend, General Tibor von Pettko Szandtner, was in charge of the farm.

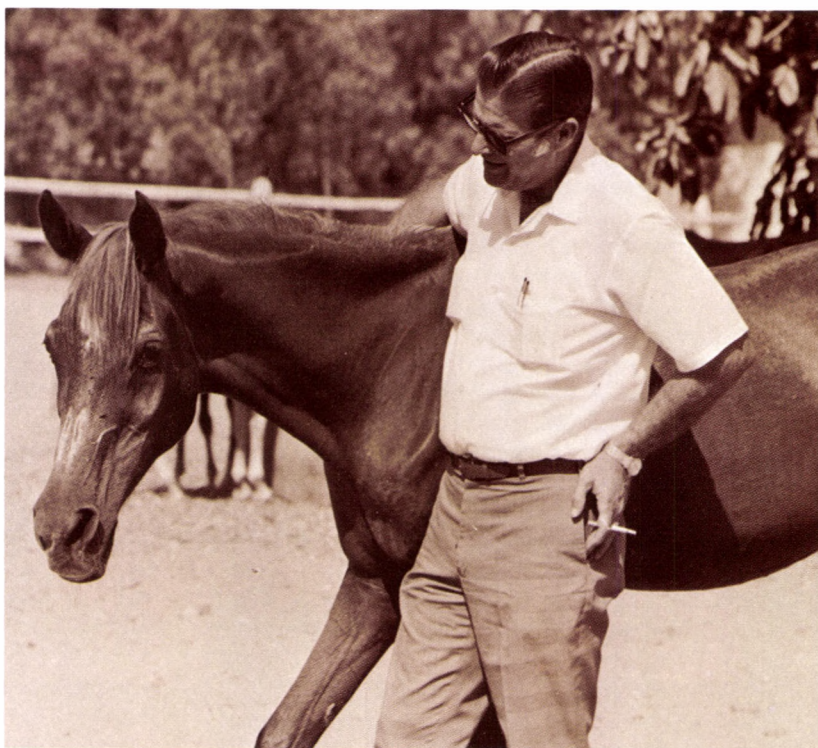
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Don and Judi Forbis with

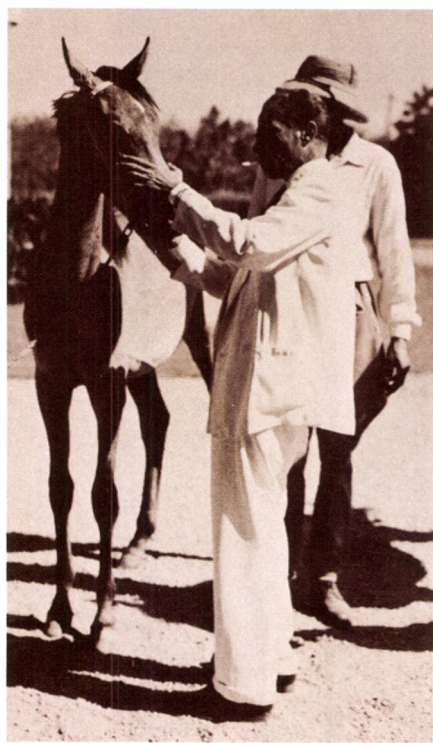
*Ansata Ibn Halima.



*Above, Nazeer daughters, the original imports: left to right, *Ansata Bint Zaafarana, *Ansata Bint Mabrouka, *Ansata Bint Misuna, *Ansata Bint Bukra, and *Ansata Bint Nazeer.*



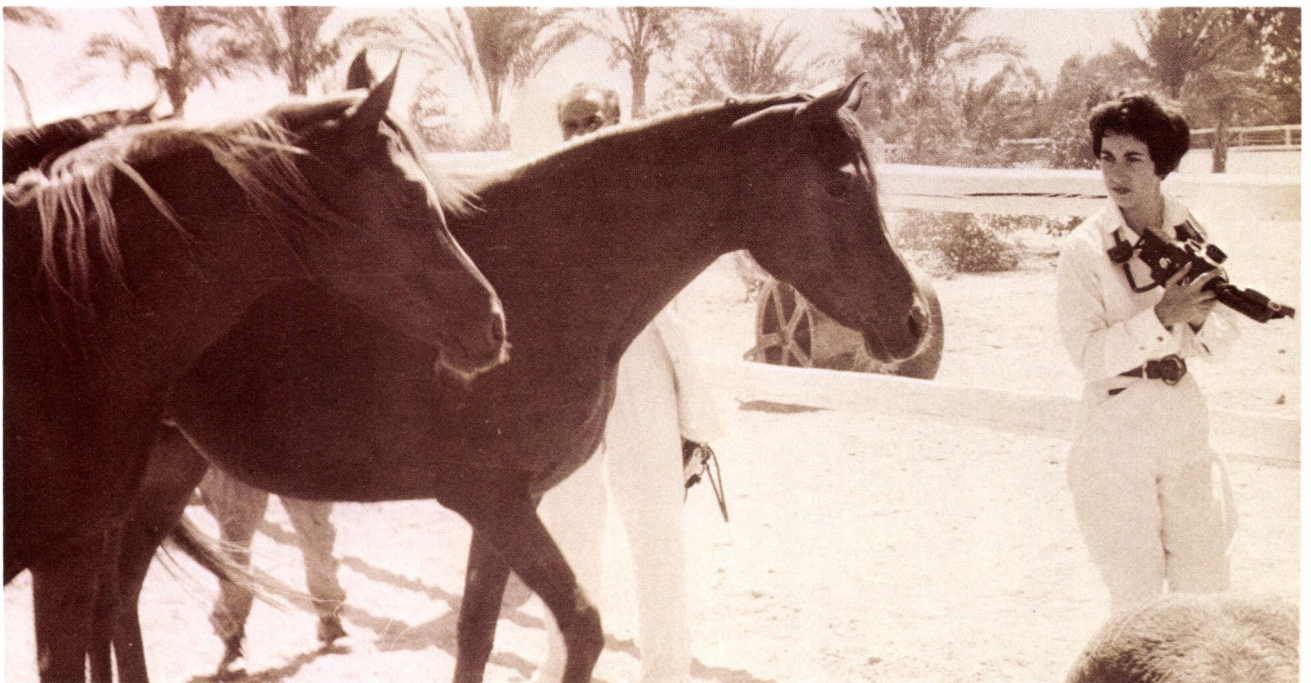
Above, Don with Moniet el Nefous.



*Left, Dr. Marsafi examines *Ansata Ibn Halima in 1959.*



*Above, the three yearlings chosen in Egypt by Don and Judi Forbis in 1959, and the first Arabians to become "American citizens" at Ansata: *Ansata Ibn Halima, *Ansata Bint Mabrouka, and *Ansata Bint Zaarfarana. Below, Judi, Mabrouka (left), and Mona (right), daughters of Moniet el Nefous, Egypt, 1959.*





**Ansata Ibn Halima (Nazeer x Halima).*

He had run the Babolna Stud in Hungary before the war; and because of the General's brilliance as a breeder and horseman, Prince Omar Tousson of the Royal Agricultural Society asked him to come and take over the Egyptian breeding program. He did so eagerly, and the results of his 10-year effort were immediately visible when we drove down the palm-fringed lane to the administration building. General von Szandtner was no longer in charge of the farm, however, and we were met by his replacement, Dr. Mohammed Marsafi. He was very proud of the farm, and took great interest in assisting us to learn as much as we could in a short period of time. As we passed each paddock, we could sense the beauty radiating therefrom. We knew immediately we had found the manna in the desert we had been searching for.

Some of the mares were breathtaking, the stallions superb. *Morafic was only three years old, and he was most unusual. Never had we seen a head like his, it was so extreme. And his power and grace were something to behold. His father Nazeer was 25 years old, but he wore his age with dignity and honor. We came to admire Nazeer as a great sire after traversing the paddocks and studying his foals. In the colt

pasture we saw a spectacular yearling: iron grey with black points and a head and eye that artists dream of. His name was Ibn Halima, and his sire was Nazeer.

In the filly pasture I was drawn immediately to an antelope-like creature with giant black eyes, elegant neck, and a beauty unlike any I had seen in young mares. Sensing our admiration, she came to us. It was close to noon, and when taps were sounded for the horses to return to the barns for feeding, everyone else ran off. She stood with us, enjoying her newly found relationship and friends. Finally we told her to go eat, and we turned to walk back to the office. She remained at the fence watching us until we reached our destination, then ambled off to the barn. Her name was Bint Mabrouka, the full sister to *Morafic.

There were a number of outstanding young fillies and mares by Nazeer and Sid Abouhom. Three particular beauties were Maya out of Moniet El Nefous, Bint Mona out of Mona, and Bint Zaafarana out of Zaafarana. Zaafarana was a daughter of the famous beauty Samira, who was the sister of Shahloul and Hamdan.

After spending several days studying pedigrees, photos and the stud books, as well as taking a multitude of pictures, we determined that we wanted

to purchase three yearlings: Ibn Halima, Bint Mabrouka and Bint Zaafarana. It was a momentous step, however, because we were newly married and our plans for the future were hardly formulated. But we knew we were committed to a life with Arabian horses, and we wanted to have these horses for our enjoyment in the States.

Dr. Marsafi took us to Dr. Afifi, then Director General of the E.A.O., and the horses were priced to us. They were expensive, and we didn't see how we could afford them.

We left Egypt and returned to the States. Once home we visited several Arabian farms to see what there was in America, including the Babson Stud where we found horses of comparable type to what we had seen in Egypt. Thereafter, we determined that the three yearlings could make a meaningful contribution to the American Arabian scene. We examined our bank statement, said a prayer, and rushed in where angels fear to tread.

Don's father agreed to look after the three horses for us, and we rented a fine stable on an old estate in Chickasha, Oklahoma, Don's home town. Little did we dream what excitement these three yearlings would cause in America — and eventually the world.

Now that we had spent all our savings, in 1960 we were faced with leaving our newly-acquired horse family and returning abroad. Libya was to be our new home. We landed in Tripoli, and as we deplaned I knew we weren't long for that country. After a few months in Benghazi and Tripoli, and having studied some of the Barbs and Arabian horses in the desert and in the king's stables, we were transferred to Iran. Here we lived among the Gashgai and Bakhtiari tribes, befriendng the most powerful khans of those tribes and learning about their Gulf Arabian horses.

We left Iran in 1963, spending time in Agrinion and Athens, Greece. Arabian horses were racing at the Athens track and we found that some of the trainers and horses had come from Egypt, victims of Nasser's purge of foreigners and Greeks in particular.

In the meantime, our equine youngsters were growing up in Chickasha without us. We lived with them through family letters and occasional visits home. We planned their future, and ours, whenever we "retired" from foreign service.

Our thirst for knowledge about the breed continued, and as we moved about the Middle East, I wrote about the horses we saw. We visited Egypt frequently, so we stayed in touch with the breeding program there, and photographed the horses, young and old, year after year. This, together with old photographs, gave us an insight into the Egyptian program that few others have ever had.

By now the interest in our horses had grown among Americans. People wanted to breed their mares to Ibn Halima, and we finally determined to purchase a small ranch in Chickasha where we could keep the horses and stand Ibn Halima at stud. We also acquired four mares on lease from the Babson Farm, which Mr. Babson agreed to let us have for breeding to Ibn Halima; and together with our own fillies and the outside mares from around the country, our breeding program began. This necessitated my returning once or twice a year to handle the breeding, while Don remained abroad. It was a hectic arrangement, but somehow we survived it and the horses prospered. We were fortunate to have several conscientious managers who took good care of the horses for us in our absence, and kept us informed on the ranch's progress.

In 1964 we left the Middle East for two years of life in the jungle of Colombia. Such a contrast to the desert. But we acquired Caesar and Cleopatra as well as Birsh and Tuhotmos — our family of parrots and macaws. They eventually came back to America with us.

During our stay in Colombia the opportunity came to purchase the mare Hosnia (Nazeer x Bukra) from Egypt. She had possessed us during our numerous trips to the E.A.O., but the African horse sickness had prevented importation to America in the early 1960s. An exquisite filly, she had been crippled as a foal when a door fell on her. Her pelvis had been knocked down, one of her hind legs had become misshapen, and her front legs were scarred. Further, the Egyptians didn't know if she could ever get in foal, or if she was in foal when they agreed to sell her. We told Dr. Marsafi we wanted her anyway, and so she was shipped alone by boat to New York, spent time in quarantine, and finally arrived in Chickasha — very much pregnant. She delivered a bay filly by Sameh the following year. Hosnia, whom we renamed *Ansata Bint Bukra, became our foundation mare, and the bay filly named *Ansata Bint Misr has contributed immeasurably to our program.

We hoped that before we retired from foreign service we might eventually live in Egypt, and in 1967 the wish came true. However, as we were about to move there, the Six Day War interrupted our plans and we returned to Greece. Don went on to Cairo while I was forced to remain in Athens. Fortunately the all-clear signal was given, and I was the first American woman back into Egypt after the crisis.

Our first home was in Maadi, along the Nile, where we had the opportunity to meet Ahmed Sherif, the grandson of Ali Pasha Sherif. He and his family befriended us, and I asked if by any chance he still had the old Abbas Pasha manuscripts that once were in the possession of Ali Pasha Sherif. For years I had dreamed of finding these lost manuscripts, but Ahmed assured me he didn't have any. Nevertheless, I asked him repeatedly, and finally one evening he



Head sire at Ansata, Ansata Ibn Sudan (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka),
U.S. National Champion Stallion in 1971.

replied that he did have an old handwritten book which he couldn't decipher. I asked him to retrieve it from his library, and when he appeared with it and read a portion to me, I knew immediately the treasure had been found. It was the long-lost Abbas Pasha manuscript that HRH Prince Mohammed Ali had published, fragmentedly, in his book *Breeding Arabian Horses* and which Lady Anne Blunt had tried to translate as mentioned in *The Authentic Arabian Horse*. Both were incomplete and inaccurate to some degree.

By now we had moved to a magnificent villa overlooking the Pyramids in the Touring Gardens, an area much frequented by the royal family in pre-Nasser days. The estate, named Villa Akhnaton, was built by the late Karl von Weigand, chief foreign correspondent for the Hearst newspaper chain. It was run-down, but we restored it to its original beauty. The second floor, a huge library, became my office. As I worked, I could see the Great Pyramid in the distance. It was here Gulsun Sherif and I began the long and tedious job of translating the Abbas Pasha manuscript. After six months we got through it, and then we went back over it and did it again. Intermittently I worked on *The Classic Arabian Horse*.

In the meantime American visitors as well as Germans and others found their way to the Forbises' "international motel." Interest in Egyptian Arabians was booming, and we had the opportunity during our stay there to import additional mares. A great deal of our time was spent at the E.A.O., and we felt much a part of the Egyptian breeding program due to our long association with Dr. Marsafi and others such as Dr. Khalil and Dr. Zaghoul.

Our good friends Doug and Margaret Marshall came to Egypt several times, and our association over the years proved fruitful in shipping several planeloads of horses to America, not only for Gleannloch and Ansata, but for others as well. The Marshalls had leased *Ansata Ibn Halima in 1965 to breed to some of their straight Egyptian mares, and to help promote Egyptian Arabians throughout America. Doug was one of the first to visit the Chickasha ranch and see our original three imports, and as a result more than two decades of friendship have evolved.

The days in Egypt moved slowly, but pleasurably. We bought two Arabians just to ride, and Don and I often passed the evenings galloping across the desert beneath the star-flung night sky. Often the Sphinx and pyramids would be illumined by the sound and light presentation. The majesty of this scene will always remain imprinted in our minds.

The time came once again to fold our tent and move away, however, and the final destination in our life abroad was to be England. We hadn't wanted to leave Egypt, but a new opportunity presented itself as I spent the days overlooking the North Sea instead of a sea of sand. Here, in the very town where Anna Sewell

had written *Black Beauty*, I put the finishing touches on *The Classic Arabian Horse*. I also spent time with Lady Anne Lytton at Newbuildings, learning more about the Blunts and reading the diaries and writings of Lady Anne, in whose footsteps we had often traveled.

At last in 1973 it was time to return to the States. We had purchased a beautiful piece of land in East Texas, and determined to move there from Oklahoma. Don enjoyed the challenge of building every inch of the new ranch, as not one building existed on the property. When it was finished, we held our 20th anniversary celebration and *Ansata Ibn Halima's 20th birthday party. The farm was beautiful, with a stately Southern Colonial home overlooking the pastures and barns.

During a trip to Kentucky for the U.S. Nationals we stopped in Arkansas to visit our friend Walter Schimanski, with whom I co-authored the book *The Royal Arabians of Egypt and the Stud of Henry B. Babson*. While there we looked at a lake property which was advertised in a real estate flyer, and promptly bought it. The lake provided a place for relaxation during the summer, and after spending time in Arkansas, we decided we might like to move there. We were already outgrowing the Lufkin ranch, and so we began looking at land in the Mena area.

Quite by accident we learned about a unique piece of property once known as the Commonwealth College. It had been chartered as a college in the early 1920s and had a fascinating history. Little was left of the buildings, but several books were written as witness to its history. Walter and our friend Marc Stacer accompanied us to the property, and as we drove through the front gate at eventide, we knew that finally we had come home. It was as simple as that. Don loved the property and approached the development of it with great care, so afraid a wrong step would ruin the beauty of the landscape. He flew to Kentucky to study barns, and as a result developed the new farm along very simple and classic lines. Everything blended into nature; nothing stood out to take away from the natural beauty of the surroundings. Two young men, Bob Hostetler and Justin Christner of the Amish clan, together with some of their clansmen, built the farm with love and great craftsmanship.

The move to Mena was made in the fall of 1981, and visitors and horses from around the world immediately made their way there too. Ansata has now become an International Bloodstock Center. The years of toil away from home and our horses now seem worth it.

At long last, the bloom is on the rose.



ANSATA

THE BREEDING PROGRAM

It has always been our belief that no one stallion or mare makes a breeding program. Certain individuals are absolutely significant in their contribution to it, but others play an integral part in broadening its scope and allowing it to move forward.

For that reason, while **Ansata Ibn Halima* was an important beginning, we have primarily emphasized ANSATA as a breeding program, based on a concept — not just one horse. The broodmare band which surrounds any stallion is all-important, and Ansata developed its basic type through linebreeding and inbreeding to the stallions **Ansata Ibn Halima*, *Ansata Ibn Sudan*+, *Ansata Shah Zaman*, and the mares **Ansata Bint Mabrouka*, and **Ansata Bint Bukra* in the initial stages of its growth.

Today, at age 18, *Ansata Ibn Sudan* has taken his father's place as head stallion at Ansata, although he has always been a major force in the breeding program. Like many sons, he stood somewhat in the shadow of his famous father because he was at the same farm. However, he has always been a very unique individual with a personality and charm all his own. As a show horse and as a sire of national and international champions, *Ansata Ibn Sudan* stands very much on his own merit.

Ansata Shah Zaman, half-brother to *Sudan* but by **Morafic*, has provided an additional power to the program. A successful show horse too, he has proven to be an outstanding sire and is presently co-owned with *Zichy-Thyssen Arabians of U.S.A.*, *Argentina* and *Paraguay*. He is now in the process of being syndicated at 14 years of age.

A testimony to the success of the Ansata program as outlined above is the 1981 and 1982 foal crop, as well as the junior stallions which are making their impact felt currently.

Ansata Abu Sudan, a son of *Ansata Ibn Sudan*, is probably the most linebred stallion to *Nazeer* in the country, if not the world. He carries two lines to *Nazeer* through his sire, is out of a *Nazeer* daughter (**Ansata Bint Misuna*) and she in turn traces to *Nazeer's* dam. *Abu Sudan* is an extremely classic individual, having won six straight Most Classic

classes at major shows, as well as Reserve Champion at the Ocala Extravaganza in 1981.

Two other junior stallions who are making their mark as sires and in the show ring are *Ansata Ibn Shah* (*Ansata Shah Zaman* x *Ansata Jezebel* by **Ansata Ibn Halima*), and *Ansata Halima Son* (**Ansata Ibn Halima* x *Ansata Damietta* by *Ansata Shah Zaman*).

Coming along behind them are *Ansata Halim Shah* (**Ansata Ibn Halima* x *Ansata Rosetta*) and *Ansata Haji Halim* (**Ansata Ibn Halima* x *Ansata Delilah*); both are out of *Shah Zaman* daughters, and due to stand at stud and be shown in 1983.

Ansata Shah Zaman and *Ansata Ibn Sudan* are being used on the daughters of each, respectively, and one of the stars of the future to emerge will be *Ansata Astarra*. She is by *Shah Zaman* x *Ansata Sabrina*, a *Sudan* daughter.

Ansata values its broodmares as the reason for its success, for they are a uniformly excellent group primarily stemming from the strain of *Dahman Shahwan* through the root mares *Farida* and *Bint Sabah*. A strong line to the *Saklawi* strain exists through *Ansata Zareifa*, **Bint Baheera*, and mares used within the *Ansata* program which are available through cooperation with *Jean Kayser* of *Luxembourg*, a well-known European breeder and closely associated with *Ansata*.

ORIGINAL IMPORTS

(Note: Stallions' names are underlined; names as registered in Egypt are in parentheses.)

*ANSATA IBN HALIMA (*Ibn Halima*) 15897
September 16, 1958 (*Nazeer* x *Halima*)
Dahman Shahwan Strain

*ANSATA BINT MABROUKA (*Bint Mabrouka*) 15898
September 9, 1958 (*Nazeer* x *Mabrouka*)
Saklawiyah Jedraniyah Ibn Sudan Strain

*ANSATA BINT ZAAFARANA (*Bint Zaafarana*) 15896
September 12, 1958 (*Nazeer* x *Zaafarana*)
Saklawiyah Jedraniyah Ibn Sudan Strain

*Facing page: Ansata Shah Zaman (*Morafic x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka), a champion stallion of international repute, was co-owned by Ansata Arabian Stud and Zichy-Thyssen Arabians before his syndication.*



**Ansata Bint Bukra (Nazeer x Bukra), the foundation mare at Ansata, 1959-1981.*



**Ansata Bint Misuna (Nazeer x Misuna) — a very special beauty and dam of Ansata Abu Sudan.*



*Above, the foundation mares Ansata Jezebel and Ansata Jamila, by *Ansata Ibn Halima and out of *Ansata Bint Sameh. Below, Ansata Zareifa (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Zaafarana), one of the loveliest young broodmares at Ansata.*



ORIGINAL IMPORTS *continued*

*ANSATA BINT BUKRA (Hosnia) 33487
August 23, 1959 (Nazeer x Bukra)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

*ANSATA BINT MISR 36452 (Imp. in utero)
April 5, 1966 (Sameh x *Ansata Bint Bukra)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

*ANSATA BINT NAZEER (Fulla) 69407
January 27, 1960 (Nazeer x El Bataa)
Saklawiyah Jedraniyah Ibn Sudan Strain

*ANSATA BINT MISUNA (Bint Maysouna) 69408
April 3, 1957 (Nazeer x Maysouna)
Hadbah Enzahi Strain

*ANSATA ADEEBA (Adeeba) 50735
September 18, 1966 (Anter x Ibtsam)
Saklawiyah Jedraniyah Ibn Sudan Strain

*ANSATA BINT ELWYA (Bint Elwya I) 60569
February 28, 1961 (Anter x Elwya)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

*ANSATA BINT SAMEH (Amal I) 69406
April 13, 1962 (Sameh x Futna)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

*BINT BAHEERA 193411
May 8, 1978 (Emad x Baheera)
Saklawiyah Jedraniyah Ibn Sudan

*ANSATA EL WAZIR 70443 (Imp. in utero)
January 23, 1971 (*Tuhotmos x *Ansata Bint Sameh)
Dahman Shahwan Strain

FOUNDATION STOCK OBTAINED FROM THE BABSON FARM

FALIMA 31956 (1965)
(*Ansata Ibn Halima x FaHabba)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

SABRAH 28350 (1964)
(Fabah x Serrasab)
Dahmah Shahwaniyah Strain

MAARQADA 25300 (1963)
(Fabah x El Maar)
Kuhaylah Jellabiyah Strain

FAYE ROUFA 100673 (1973)
(Ansata Abbas Pasha x Bint Fay Roufa)
Kuhaylah Jellabiyah Strain



Above left, Ansata Delilah, full sister to Damietta. Both mares are the dams and granddams of champions.

*Above right, Ansata Abu Sudan, the most linebred Nazeer stallion at Ansata. By Ansata Ibn Sudan and out of *Ansata Bint Misuna, he is undefeated in six consecutive Most Classic Arabian classes, and was Reserve Champion Stallion at the 1981 Ocala Extravaganza.*

Below left: Ansata Ibn Shah (Ansata Shah Zaman x Ansata Jezebel), U.S. National Top Ten Futurity Stallion in 1980, and winner of Most Classic and Most Classic Head classes.

*Below right: Ansata Damietta (Ansata Shah Zaman x *Ansata Bint Misr), a champion mare and outstanding broodmare.*





*Above, Ansata Halim Shah (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Rosetta), an exotically beautiful young replacement for his sire.*

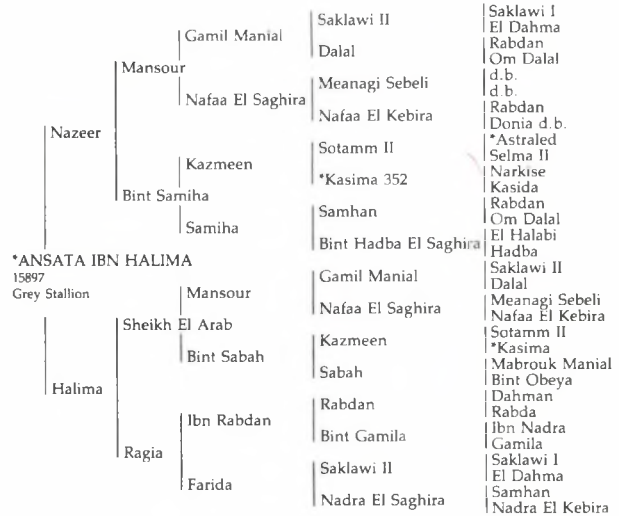
*Above right, Ansata Haji Halim (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Delilah) shows great promise as a show horse and as a sire.*

Below, Faye Roufa (Ansata Abbas Pasha x Bint Fay Roufa) was bred by the Babson Farm. She is an exciting new foundation to the Ansata program.





“Foaled in the shadow of the great pyramids of Egypt, like these eternal monuments he has become a symbol of excellence by which all others are measured.”



*ANSATA IBN HALIMA

(1958 – 1981)

“Cast thyself into the windswept skies and gaze upon the starlit oceans deep, the hills, the valleys, the deserts, the snow-covered peaks, the silver-lined clouds — and behold — the hand of God.”

(Sent by Ernest Sehon, Oklahoma)

For twenty-three years, *ANSATA IBN HALIMA was an inspiration; a testimony to what is good about this world we live in. He was larger than life; secure in his element, a joy to many both near and far. His name, which means “son of the gentle and kind,” could not have been more aptly chosen, for he reflected kindness and nobility in everything he did. As Mr. Roy Jackson, one of our breed’s elder statesmen, once said: “God was good to you when he gave you that horse.”

The prepotency of *Ansata Ibn Halima blood has literally created a “breed within the breed” of Arabian horses. The dominance of “that Halima look” and the delightful disposition inherited by his get, grandget and into further generations, has made his blood highly sought after in the international Arabian world. Ansata has retained a young battery of stallions carrying varying degrees of his bloodlines, and together with his many devotees around the world, *Ansata Ibn Halima’s influence will be perpetuated each year with the new foals.

People from all walks of life, and from many parts of the world, visited Ansata and were touched by this grand horse throughout his lifetime. We will always be grateful for their interest and thoughtful comments.

When Ibn Halima passed on to greener pastures, people we knew, as well as many we did not know, took time to write and express how deeply he had affected their lives and their concept of the Arabian horse. Hundreds of letters poured in, but we think these sum up what many people said.

Tom McNair
Gleannloch Farms, Texas:

"Even though 1965 seems like quite awhile ago, I remember it as if it were yesterday: that is the year we had *Ansata Ibn Halima on lease here at Gleannloch for breeding; it is also the year in which we showed him to seven halter championships and five reserve championships, five park championships and two reserves, and four Most Classic awards. I went on to show him twice to Top Ten Stallion at the U.S. Nationals.

"I can truly say that 'Ib' was the easiest horse I've ever shown at halter. You could lead him forward, place his feet, ask him for his head, neck and ears, and I honestly believe that once he struck that pose, you could have dropped the leadline and walked away and he would have stood there — as if he were looking 1,000 miles away — and never let down a hair. He enjoyed being shown at halter, and I enjoyed showing him. He liked to snort and blow when you were trotting him and always moved in hand with a big, bold trot.

"Ibn Halima obviously did a great deal to popularize the Egyptian horse at that time, and has continued to do so over the years. It was indeed a pleasure and a privilege to train and show such a horse."

Rhita McNair:

"'Ib' was my very first 'picture Arab' — the one I'd always had in my mind but had never found before him. When he would stand up at halter (and anyone could be at the end of that line) he was a statue of perfection, with those eyes that stared 'way off into time and space. He was one of the most beautiful Arabians I have known, and he was very much aware of his nobility and greatness. He will be sorely missed, but we are so glad that you have sons and daughters to help fill the void left by this great horse."

Maurice Wingo
Pyramid Arabian Farm, Texas:

"My first association with Ansata was when I was Tom McNair's assistant at Gleannloch Farms. *Ansata Ibn Halima was there on lease; he was impressive, with one of the most beautiful and classic Arabian heads I'd ever had the pleasure of seeing.

"Several years later I had the honor of being asked by Ansata to show his son, Ansata Ibn Sudan, in 1971. The final show was at the U.S. Nationals in Stallion Halter. For a young trainer to be asked to show a horse of that quality was, to say the least, a large boost in my career.

"At show time I was, as usual, a nervous wreck, but Sudan was collected and serene. It was his day, and he knew it. Sudan had that extra elegance, the extra length of neck, that extra something that makes an individual a true champion. It comes from within. And he also had the tolerance and patience to take care of a young trainer and show him how it's done. I have to say it has been one of the few intelligent times in my life of showing horses. I let the horse show himself — with outstanding results. He was National Champion Stallion.

"As far as *Ansata Ibn Halima is concerned, I could never tire of seeing him one more time. And I still wish I could see him — one more time."

David Gardner
Gardner Bloodstock, Ltd.
China Spring, Texas

I saw *Ansata Ibn Halima for the first time in 1970. I knew I was looking at something very different, and over the next decade I was to become one of his greatest admirers. Over the next 11 years I saw him as often as I could. There was always a gentleness about him, and I never saw anything but a good look in his eye.

I've probably shown as many *Ansata Ibn Halima



*Ansata Ibn Halima is one of only five stallions to have sired both a National Champion son and daughter. Pictured above is his son, Ansata Ibn Sudan (ex *Ansata Bint Mabrouka), 1971 U.S. National Champion Stallion and head sire at Ansata Arabian Stud. Pictured below is his daughter, Fa Halima (ex Sabrah), 1980 U.S. National Champion Mare. Owned by Bentwood Farm, Texas, she is shown with David Gardner, who showed her to the Championship.



get and grandget to major championships as anyone — Fa Halima, Ansata Abbas Pasha, Bay Halima, A.K. Sudan Moniet, Pasha Bey, Nazman C.M., Feylima, as well as several others. They were always kind horses — show horses when you asked them to be, and easy to live with outside the ring.

It is not so strange that the same qualities we admire in great people are also the ones we find in great horses — courage, grace, and a demeanor that demands respect. *Ansata Ibn Halima was one who had that. As breeders, we're fortunate that Don and Judi Forbis saw this quality over two decades ago in a skinny yearling colt, and with him were able to create something that only an artist can sometimes recognize.

*Jeanne and Bob Middleton
Midcrest Farms, Washington:*

"We are grateful beyond words that we were able to meet 'Ib' last November. He was so much more than we had expected. He had such an inner beauty that we felt we had witnessed a work of art. He will always be loved and respected — something to strive for, but maybe never again achieved."

*Bill and Susan Malloy
Oregon:*

"Helen Keller once said, 'The most beautiful things in life can neither be seen nor touched, they must be felt in the heart.' Although you cannot see him or touch him now, what you hold in your heart is a light that can never be diminished, a jewel that is forever."

*Nickie Fleener
Oklahoma:*

"To see him even in old age was to see peace, beauty of form and function, and dignity — precious qualities that are frequently missing from daily life. His being caused one to pause, as though one had glimpsed the end of the exploration and that the glimpse was satisfying."

*Pat Trapp
Arabest Stud Farm, Wisconsin:*

"The ones who can sire many good ones of both sexes, plus stamp them with their own image, as Ibn Halima has done, come along so seldom as to be a phenomenon. I think most people realize this, but it will become even more apparent as time goes on. To have a line 'breed on' such as his is doing is even more rare, and that is probably the greatest satisfaction a breeder can ever have!"

*Ronald M. Kydd
WAHO, United Kingdom:*

"... He is certainly immortalized through his descendants."

*Robin Duke
Mississippi:*

"I can only believe that God needed Halima to improve the horses in heaven as he did here on earth."

*Henry Eubanks
North Carolina:*

"My love of Halima goes back many years and his existence greatly influenced my appreciation of the Arab horse. His passing moves me to tears, yet I know his life has blessed many. Although his get were always beyond me he served as a star for which to reach. I am fortunate to have seen him.

"Not many are blessed with the good fortune of time, place and circumstance which permits the acquisition of such a great horse, but when it happens that the person is one who recognizes greatness and has the ability to seize upon it, we are all fortunate."

*Mavis Jean Rogge
Washington:*

"I shall remember you both in my prayers."

*Dick Heffernan
California:*

"Ibn Halima made the trip, looked about and approved. Knowing he was responsible for Ansata, it became his zenith. And you two, his joy."



*Ansata Shah Zam (Ansata Shah Zaman x Ansata Sabiha by *Ansata Ibn Halima) was a U.S. National Futurity Champion Stallion. Owned by Downing Arabians.*



*Ansata Abbas Pasha (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka), Reserve National Champion of Europe. Owned by Bentwood Farms.*



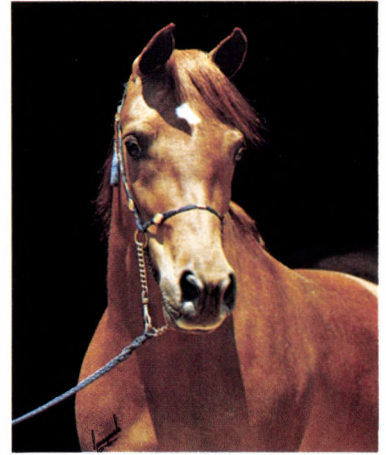
*Ansata Ibn Bukra (Ansata Abu Sudan by Ansata Ibn Sudan (by *Ansata Ibn Halima) x *Ansata Bint Bukra). Now head stallion at Haras Al Atalaya, owned by Count Federico A. Zichy-Thyssen, in Argentina.*



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The following horses are all get or grandget of *Ansata Ibn Halima and products of the Ansata breeding program:

1. Ansata Halima Son (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Damietta) is a dynamic young sire exhibiting great power and presence.

2. Ansata Abu Nazeer (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Zaafarana). A fine young sire owned by Glorieta Arabians.

3. Ansata Samantha ("A girl called Sam") (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Delilah).

4. Sudonna (Ansata Ibn Sudan x *Omayma). A champion mare owned by Peter Pond in Australia.

5. Ansata Aziza (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Zaafarana). A champion mare owned by Gibson Arabians.

6. Ansata Sabrina (Ansata Ibn Sudan x Ansata Sabiha). A winner at halter (Top 5 U.S. National Futurity Mare) and in performance.

7. Ansata Wanisa (Ansata Ibn Sudan x *Ansata Bint Nazeer) is now owned by Zahara Arabians.

8. Ansata El Halim (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Jamila by *Ansata Ibn Halima) is a replica of his father.



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*Ansata Ibn Halima and friend, Judith Forbis.

AN INTERVIEW WITH JUDITH FORBIS

By Jan Shuler and Nat Gorham

BREEDING

After 20-plus years of breeding Arabian horses, how have you come to define success? Has this definition changed over the years?

Success is different things to different people. I have never thought of success as an end within itself. I have always thought first of the purpose. If the purpose is meaningful and correct, then the achievement of a goal or goals rightly can be termed success.

Maturity and wisdom gained by meeting life's multi-faceted challenges hone one's view of success more finely, once success is on the horizon. One's true purpose in life becomes more sharply focused with the passage of time. I don't believe my definition has changed over the years, however.

One is reminded of Thoreau's statement in relation to this subject: "I learned this, at least, by my experiment: that if one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he had imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours."

What originally attracted both of you to the Middle East, and what experiences most changed your way of thinking?

When I was a child, my uncle, who was crippled severely by infantile paralysis, used to tell me about the wonders of Egypt and the East. He never tired of extolling the virtues of eastern philosophies, and the symbolism behind the pyramids and monuments of Egypt. He couldn't walk well, and it was one of his great desires in life to visit them — even if it were through my eyes.

My uncle always reminded me that pyramids were one of the most extraordinary structures erected by man; that they were a testimony to man's comprehension of God, nature, and himself, and his understanding of the relationship between those three aspects and his existence. They express man's awareness of an overall cosmic plan and tell the complete story of creation, manifestation, and evolution.

The more I learned about the East, read the poetry and studied the wisdom of ancient masters, the more I determined that someday I would go there. Then I read the *Black Stallion* series, and my goal was set. Eventually I lived that book, in real life. My book, *Hoofbeats Along the Tigris*, chronicled that adventure.

Don's attraction was less esoteric. He landed in Turkey in search of oil. We met there and enjoyed a mutual attraction to Arabian horses.

There were many experiences, after living in the Middle East and other countries for more than 20 years, that changed our way of thinking about life. We've lived in deserts and jungles, in tents, trailers, and mansions; spoken with kings, sheikhs, princes, and peasants; traveled on mud roads and autobahns, in 747s and 172s. Each experience in life is a learning experience. But life in Turkey and Iran, among the tribes and in relative isolation, taught me introspection and self-reliance, and above all — it taught us both patience.

What specific qualities both in pedigree and conformation must a horse possess to fit into your breeding program? What specific points do not fit into your breeding herd?

First of all, we have specific preferences in strains. This farm was founded on the tail female line of El Dahma, the celebrated Dahma Shahwanayah mare of Ali Pasha Sherif. The consistency of this line has proven true since Abbas Pasha's time, and before. We also admire the Saklawi Jedran of Ibn Sudan family, and use it heavily. Also the strain of Kuhaylan Mimreh has been a powerful influence, but has been used through the male line by linebreeding to Mansour through his sons Nazeer and Sheikh el Arab. Linebreeding and inbreeding have been our rule, and they can be done only through use of the best stock. One can learn to "read" a pedigree, and if proper selection is used, over a period of years a breeder can predictably determine what he will get with certain matings.

However, one must remember that pedigree alone is not the answer. The most beautiful pedigree on paper can produce a monster. The horse should relate in type and quality to his pedigree. On the other hand, you can't always discard one simply because as an individual it may not be first class. Often the Plain Jane full sister to Miss Beauty Queen may be the better producer. The final analysis is in the progeny.

Balance is the key to any successful breeding program. A good Arabian must be balanced; but first of all, he must *look like an Arabian. No type, no breed.* The overall picture, from a distance, must be harmonious. We are "head-hunters" to a great degree, but we do not believe in compromising heads for poor legs or lack of balance. A classic Arabian must be good in all respects.

Points that we studiously avoid in our program are bad dispositions, weak hindquarters, narrow forelegs, straight shoulders, upside-down necks, ugly heads. We believe in good legs and feet, but we've ridden enough horses to agree with some of the old Thoroughbred trainers, that will and heart are very important. Most horses learn to

compensate for faults if they are trimmed or shod correctly. Assault won the Triple Crown with a club foot, and there are many famous race horses that were far from perfect. Form and function are interesting to contemplate, especially after watching a park class. It is testimony to the brilliance of most Arabians in handling themselves surefootedly — trotting with their legs crossing over in front while somebody is beating their kidneys to death in discadence.

Don and I are both horsemen; I rode in equitation, jumping and hunting classes as a child, and we both jockeyed race horses. We believe a horse should be able to perform as well as be a joy to look at. *Ansata Ibn Halima provided both action and beauty in our program, and we intend to maintain these attributes.

Describe your first impression of Nazeer. How did he fit your idea of the "classic Arabian horse?"

We'll never forget the first time we saw this magnificent horse. He was stabled in the stucco stallion stables at the palm-fringed entrance to El Zahraa. His groom led him from his spacious stall and paraded him under an arched trellis covered with dazzling pink bougainvillea. He posed there majestically, his great black eyes taking in the surroundings with regal dignity.

He was not an "extreme" horse, such as *Morafic or *Ansata Ibn Halima, but he had an air about him that was commanding and emphatically unique. He was 25 years old at the time, and still in excellent condition.

In studying all the horses at the E.A.O., it was obvious that the Nazeer foals had an absolutely distinctive quality about them. He was a great "leveling agent" — not that his get necessarily looked like him, but that they were set apart by an unmistakable essence.

Nazeer fit our idea of the classic Arabian horse, not only as an individual, but as a sire capable of improving on any mare to whom he was bred. One has to consider the definition of the word "classic" here. It does not just mean "pretty." It encompasses *all the qualities* which personify the *standard* of the Arabian horse. There is no "new standard" for this breed. It is as old as time itself; it is *the classic* breed of horse.

What sons and daughters of Nazeer have had the most profound influence on Arabian breeding around the world?

SONS: From the standpoint of opportunity and quantity, in addition to quality, *Morafic certainly



*Nazeer (Mansour x Bint Samiha), in 1959 at age 25.
Photo by Wayne Van Vleet.*

had the most ideal chance of any Nazeer son for greatness. He was the first one to be chosen as a herd sire in Egypt, and he served a select and large group of mares. Then he was imported by Gleannloch, who became the largest breeder of Egyptians outside of Egypt. The influence of Gleannloch Farms in the '60s and early '70s was felt in the show ring through *Morafic's get — and no expense was spared to give them every opportunity to go to the top, which they deservingly did.

*Ansata Ibn Halima came to America as a yearling in 1959, accompanied by two yearling fillies. He had no "band of mares" for some years; consequently his initial impact was made through standing him to outside mares. Gradually, and over a number of years, we acquired more straight Egyptian mares, and the influence of *Ansata Ibn Halima grew throughout the world due to the popularity and consistency in production of his straight Egyptian sons (and daughters), and his many show-winning, Egyptian-related World Class get. Subsequently *Ansata Ibn Halima sired a

National Halter Champion son and National Halter Champion daughter (only five stallions in the world have done so¹), and his own record in the show ring and as a sire is unsurpassed by any straight Egyptian stallion, living or dead. I often wonder what might have happened had he been given a band of mares such as *Morafic had.

Aswan has certainly revolutionized the Russian breeding program, which was little acknowledged on the world scene before then. I saw Aswan on the track in Egypt as a three-year-old, although I don't believe he raced. He was a very classic individual, and a ¾ brother to *Ansata Ibn Halima, only the tail female line being different.

It is no wonder he became an outstanding sire in Russia, because he would have been one anywhere. He has reinforced once again the importance of Egyptian breeding. Taking Aswan out of the Russian program would be tantamount to taking the caffeine out of coffee.

Ghazal had an enormous influence in Europe, although the appreciation for his supreme quality came late.

Hadban Enzahi stood at Marbach, and consequently was in a position of power, being at such a prestigious old stud. Plum Grove Farm has had excellent results by using his blood combined with their Polish program.

Kaisoon was also imported to Germany and his blood is found internationally.

*Talal and *Fakher el Din have made a significant mark in the U.S.A., and their get have been exported to other countries also.

Alaa el Din was much appreciated in Egypt and sired a number of excellent daughters, who subsequently have been influential around the world. Several of his sons also have made worthy contributions.

*Ramses Fayek is internationally known, and he has been extremely successful in siring winners of both straight Egyptian and Egyptian-related horses for Plum Grove. When we were living in Egypt, we asked Sayed Marei, then Minister of Agriculture, to return all the Nazeer sons from the depots for review at the E.A.O.'s breeding farm. He did so, and among them were Fayek and Waseem. Both were subsequently used. Martin and Emily Loeber came to Egypt shortly thereafter and bought Fayek.

DAUGHTERS: We remember only too well the supreme beauty of the Nazeer daughters. Some of them were literally spellbinding.

¹ *Ansata Ibn Halima, *Naborr, Aquinor, Sureyn, Julep



**Ansata Ibn Halima (left) at his last public appearance in the Stallion Spectacular, hosted by the Gulf Coast Arabian Horse Club, with two other exceptional Nazeer sons in America: *Morafic, center, and *Tatal.*

*Ansata Bint Mabrouka was one of the great mares of all time. Perhaps I'm prejudiced, but I think those who saw her would have to agree. Her three sons, all champions, have been on the Top Sire lists (Ansata Ibn Sudan, Ansata Abbas Pasha, Ansata Shah Zaman), and as individuals and show horses and sires thereof, they have exerted tremendous influence throughout America, Europe, Australia and South America.

*Ansata Bint Bukra became the foundation mare at Ansata, and she was acclaimed by many as the most celebrated Dahma Shahwaniyah mare of her time. She was special indeed.

*Bint Nefisaa, dam of El Hilal, was an exquisite mare and he alone would qualify her for greatness. However, she also produced several lovely daughters.

*Bint Mona, dam of Il Muna and The Egyptian Prince among others, is one of the most beautiful mares ever, and certainly has left her mark. She and *Ansata Bint Mabrouka were very similar in type. We were given the choice between them, and took the latter, who was a year younger. But the choice was difficult; we wanted both. Doug Marshall eventually got *Bint Mona after she had been sold to Sayed Marei.

*Bint Moniet el Nefous was one of the most look-alike of the Moniet daughters, and was among the first Nazeer get imported to the U.S.A.

*Bint Maisa el Saghira was a truly special mare who

helped popularize Egyptians in the '60s and then went on to produce Shaikh el Badi, Amaal, and several daughters of merit.

Nazeera and Mamlouka's daughter and grandchildren have contributed to the international scene, especially through the Gleannloch imports.

One must also mention Bint Yosreia (full sister to Aswan), Bint Om el Saad (dam of *Serenity Sonbolah), the three daughters of El Bataa, as well as Abla, Scherezade, etc. There were many good ones, all having made some contribution through their children and grandchildren in Egypt, Europe, America, and other countries.

We have to make one final comment about Nazeer. It always interests us when we see in some advertisements, "non-Nazeer bred." One picture is worth a thousand words, and the power of the Nazeer blood is such that few, if any, would want to be without it in any significant Egyptian or Egyptian-related breeding program. Only the Babson Farm has succeeded in maintaining a definite type and consistent quality without its direct use — although they too have successfully combined it into their herd in several instances.

Much has been said and written about the genetic consistency of Egyptian Arabians, and the necessity of maintaining the purity of this genetic pool of Arab blood. What one horse that you've bred best exemplifies the



*Above left, the bay mare Falima (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Fa Habba by *Fadl), founder of the Nile family at Ansata.*

Above right, "the sisters beautiful" — Ansata Nile Dream (left) is the result of inbreeding, father (Ansata Ibn Sudan) ex daughter (Ansata Nile Queen). Right is Ansata Wanisa, also by Sudan.

Below left, an example of the outcross to this line is represented by Ansata Nile Dawn, by Nabil x Ansata Nile Queen.

Below right, one of Ansata's most beautiful mares is Ansata Nile Queen, a "double Halima" mare by Ansata Ibn Sudan x Falima.



predictability of Egyptian bloodlines, and why? Discuss your theories about linebreeding, inbreeding and outcrossing as they are reflected in your last two foal crops.

There are several individuals we could name, but one which represents several generations of our breeding is Ansata Nile Dream. She's an absolutely breathtaking bay mare by Ansata Ibn Sudan and out of his own daughter, Ansata Nile Queen, who in turn is out of Falima by *Ansata Ibn Halima.

Nile Dream was bred to Ansata Halima Son (by *Ansata Ibn Halima) who produced Ansata Nile Glory, the yearling filly we consigned to the Egyptian Breeders Sale. All these animals are of consistent extreme type, and exemplify our Dahman/Saklawi combined breeding program.

A word of caution here. There are good and bad qualities in *all* bloodlines, and we do not believe that just because a horse is "straight this" or "pure that" is it necessarily good. A limited genetic pool gives one a chance to improve quality more assuredly through proper selection, but improper selection can make a nightmare out of any breeding program — Egyptian included.

Our 1981 and 1982 foal crops are among the very best we've raised. We have linebred and inbred continually, and the type has been consistent. One of our best fillies to date was born this year. She is the result of a father to daughter mating — breeding *Ansata Ibn Halima to his daughter Ansata Jezebel. Another close breeding is Ansata Astarra, by Ansata Shah Zaman out of the Ansata Ibn Sudan daughter, Ansata Sabrina. This represents doubling of *Ansata Bint Mabrouka and *Ansata Ibn Halima close up. Ansata Ali Abbas is another superior young colt, the only one we have produced by *Ansata Ibn Halima out of an Ansata Abbas Pasha daughter, thus doubling *Ansata Ibn Halima through that son of *Ansata Bint Mabrouka.

We have done some outcrossing within the straight Egyptian lines, primarily using the Babson blood. Their program was founded on very similar bloodlines to ours, with only the addition of the Mahroussa Koheilan Jellabi tail female line. The type raised by these two farms has always blended harmoniously. We've also outcrossed to non-Nazeer stock which has had a strong concentration of Shahloul blood. Outcrossing is valuable at certain points in any program, but we use it as the exception, not the rule.

Overall, what observations could you make about the current breeding program at the E.A.O.? Compare the program today with that of 1959 when you made your first importations from Egypt.

The first trip to the E.A.O. in 1959 was unforgettable. We had searched throughout the Middle East for the classic Arabian we had envisioned from the old paintings and lithographs, and it was only on reaching El Zahraa that we found these animals in the flesh. There was a uniformity in the herd that has since been unmatched. The Nazeer and Sheikh El Arab daughters, and those of Sid Abouhom, and the combinations thereof, were something to see. *Morafic, *Ansata Ibn Halima, *Talal, *Ramses Fayek, Kaisoon, Aswan, Moniet el Nefous, Bukra, Maisa, Yosreia, Maysouna, Halima, El Bataa, Mouna, Mabrouka, Kamar, Kamla: where are their replacements in quality and type today? In America.

The breeding program in 1959 showed a consistency in type; the current one is very dissimilar to that which we first saw.

In selecting your foundation stock, was there ever an occasion where the quality of pedigree was more important to you than quality on the hoof, and if so, did the individual prove its value in subsequent breedings?

Yes, but this has been rare. One of the mares we imported, *Ansata Bint Sameh, was plainer in the head than most of the other stock we brought in, but her background was of special value. When bred to *Ansata Ibn Halima she produced two of our foundation mares, who in turn have proven to be outstanding producers. Most of the Sameh stock tended to step up in type when blended with the best Nazeer stock. Sameh added a valuable dimension to Egyptian programs, contributing especially smooth bodies and good balance.

We also purchased a stunted young mare whose pedigree we particularly liked. We thought her mother a superior mare; and her father, though a mediocre individual, had a pedigree which would blend well with our program. The results were spectacular.

Historically, Egyptian breeding has placed great value on the dam line and the influence of the mare. In what ways has this concept influenced your breeding program? What family lines do you treasure most, and why?

Most successful breeders of any livestock know that the dam line contributes significantly to a breeding program. Geneticists say 50%, experienced breeders give it 60% or more.

When we lived in the desert, I had little to do but study pedigrees as well as old pictures of Egyptian and other Arabian horses. I took thousands of photographs. Constant study through the eye of the camera gradually brought certain attributes into



Ansata Shah Zaman
 (*Morafic x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka).

focus — both in the printed result, and with the naked eye while taking the photo. After a period of time, and especially in relation to the Egyptian horses, I began to see patterns forming. There were certain consistencies in the tail female lines from generation to generation.

While in Egypt, I also had the opportunity to transcribe the Abbas Pasha manuscript with Gulsun Sherif. This provided a history of the strains, which gave me a better understanding of how they came into being and their value, by the master breeder himself, Abbas Pasha.

The “strain theory” has absolutely influenced our concept of breeding and it is the reason for the consistency of type found at Ansata. Our program is based on the linebreeding of three main strains; and interestingly enough, they are the same ones,

and in the same order, as Abbas Pasha ranked them: Dahman Shahwan, Kuhaylan Mimreh, and Saklawi Jedran. Unfortunately, the Mimreh has been used through the male line only (Mansour and Mabrouk Manial), as the Egyptians totally lost this in the tail female strain.

We have followed these lines in our Egyptian program because they have been absolutely predictable.

Disregard the passage of time for this one. If you could acquire any stallion and any mare, from any breeding program in the world, past or present, which would you choose and why?

Now, with a roll of the genetic dice, how would you describe the resulting foal?

Given the fact that we are where we are today in our breeding program, and eliminating any of the stock that we originally chose or have from the answer to the above question, we’d probably choose El Arabi (*Morafic x Hafiza), who died at an early age, and perhaps the mare Bint Farida (Mansour x Farida), who exemplified the Dahma Shahwaniya family. The former would add a new dimension, the latter would repeat a similarity to what we already have.

El Arabi was a horse that kings would have bartered kingdoms to own. Bint Farida we saw only in pictures, but she was typical of the Halima tail female line.

The resulting foal should have beautiful balance, good size, extreme type, excellent action, and represent an ideal blending of the refined, elegant Saklawi type blended with the foundation balance and beauty of the Dahman family.

What specifically do you feel Egyptian blood has contributed to Arabian breeding in Europe? In Russia?

Classic Arabian type has been the major contribution.

The basis for Arabian breeding in Europe was Egyptian, if one looks to the Crabbet/Ali Pasha Sherif blood as the source. The Blunts of Crabbet Stud were responsible in the late 1800s through mid-1900s for teaching the Western world about Arabian horses, and for breeding them successfully in England and Egypt. This blood found its way into the major studs of Europe: Poland, Russia, Hungary; and of course the German stud at Weil used Egyptian blood in its founding days.

The revitalization of European programs began in the mid-1950s when Germany obtained the Nazeer sons Ghazal, Kaisoon and Hadban Enzahi along

with daughters of the mares Nefisa and Halima. Babolna followed suit, aided by Dr. Hans Nagel's efforts. Russia got Nahr el Nil and then Aswan; the Germans started importing Egyptian stock continually from Egypt; England, through the Maxwell imports from Egypt and the Hedleys' acquisition of the Babson-bred stallion, The Shah, brought the circle round again. Mr. Merz in Germany developed an outstanding Egyptian-Spanish combination, which has been successful in the European show ring, and then the Russian blitz began as the Aswan stock hit the show scene. *Everywhere you look, Egyptian blood is in the forefront of the pedigree in winning show horses — and in the early background as well.*

The Russian program, like all others in the world, has benefited from the classic refinement which the Egyptian blood historically has contributed to every country. The Aswan blood in particular has been overwhelming in contributing to the Russian popularity. Some of the Aswan daughters Howie Kale brought in looked as if they had stepped from the Egyptian desert.

MARKETING

It would seem that your involvement with Arabian horses is a healthy blend of spiritual respect for the animal combined with the practical savvy it takes to ring the register in this business. Discuss both aspects as they relate to the success of Ansata.

It has always been my belief that no matter what you do in life, if you do it well, success and rewards will follow (and a little luck is always helpful).

Don and I have had opportunities and insights into this breed that few Americans or others have had. We lived a life among people who bred and established the qualities in this breed that we have come to love. We have traveled the pathways of the breed's early visionaries, such as the Blunts; sat in tents with Bedouins and sheikhs of tribes; absorbed the history of the countries where Arabian horses made kings and kingdoms in yesteryear. We've observed that animals are just as much individuals as men, having rights of their own, with progressions in evolution to work out. I also believe that "like attracts like." How can you explain a certain spark or look in a herd, if the master doesn't instill it?

Like most breeders who joined this industry in its relatively formative years, we did it strictly for love of the breed. It was no different from artists wanting to paint, because they are consumed with a burning desire to contribute something to the world that is meaningful and worthwhile.

We have never bred horses to please others, nor to "ring the cash register." It took many years of hard work and sacrifice to develop what we have. The American system provides rewards to those who have a unique vision and work hard to make their dreams come true.

The increased value of all good Arabians in the



*Ansata Ibn Sudan (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka).*

marketplace is a stimulus to the whole breed. Ansata has contributed to this in attracting the quality of people who are like-minded in wanting to share in the qualities and consistency the Ansata horses have to offer.

I am often reminded of the Kipling quote: "If you don't get what you want, it is a sign either that you didn't seriously want it, or that you tried to bargain over the price."

I've observed that we get out of life that which we really want, 'way down deep inside.

What is your assessment of the Arabian horse market in the United States, a) overall, and b) for straight Egyptians? How do you currently assess the market for Egyptian-cross Arabians?

How do you think the Arabian horse market will develop outside of the U.S.?

a) The market for good stock appears sound overall; the market for mediocre to poor stock will continue to decline as the numbers increase.

b) The market for straight Egyptians has always been healthy as long as we can remember. As numbers increase, and a broader gulf develops between good and poor stock, the better stock will bring the better price. We are seeing that now. However, the straight Egyptians have the advantage of a genetic nucleus; even though individuals may be poor, with patience and proper selection good individuals can be created and the pool preserved. Because of the paucity of the straight Egyptians (less than 1% of the Arabian horse population), supply and demand will govern for some time to come.

c) The Egyptian-cross horse really is the *world class* Arabian. The market is rapidly improving. Most people think of the Egyptian-cross as Egyptian and American breeding, but most all Arabians that are successful in the show ring today are Egyptian-cross or Egyptian-related horses. The Russian horses have done much to point this out. One of these days an American group will develop some unique marketing technique that will make everyone want American Class horses. We all say the best blood in the world is here, and then refute it by going abroad to buy more foreign horses.

The Arabian market outside of the U.S. is continuing to develop, but the action, the incentive, and the marketplace are in the U.S.A. More people abroad are breeding Arabians and then shipping them to America, or buying farms here.

What in your opinion have been the most significant factors in the past decade of growth in the Arabian

industry? What influences will have the most profound effect on the industry in the next decade?

Probably the most significant growth factors have been due to individual breeders taking the initiative to stimulate such growth through effective educational and/or marketing procedures.

New business concepts have developed within the industry, generating better prices, new thinking, and new opportunities. The most innovative concept was probably syndication of stallions, first done by the Egyptian breeder Jarrell McCracken, with the stallion *Ibn Moniet el Nefous. The Scottsdale sales have offered a central marketplace, a focal spot from which has emerged public exposure and the lure of selling for spectacular prices. The possibility to make a profit at raising Arabian horses, and the favorable tax structures, created a boom atmosphere.

However, according to the Registry's statistics, the growth rate in comparison to other breeds is going down, not up. Why?

Is it because people are becoming more sophisticated about the return on their investment? New markets must be created; old ones rejuvenated.

To keep up past momentum for the next 10 years, a strong leadership which people can follow confidently must emerge from within the industry. The Arabian Horse Center can be a very unifying influence. A strong breeders' organization could do much to provide stimulus, direction, and the opportunity to achieve new heights for this industry. Hopefully we will be able to rely on those leaders to see that the tax laws and tax structures which now favor the industry are maintained and enhanced because of the industry's integrity.

How important do you feel show ring success is to the bottom line of a breeding farm?

Show ring success is important because it is the only competitive means breeders have of evaluating their horses against what others are breeding.

The show ring is a great place to get your horse in front of the public, especially if you are in the formative years as a breeder. However, winning is not always the most important aspect. With proper education more and more breeders and owners will learn to judge for themselves. Having the crowd with your horse is more meaningful to a true breeder than winning a National Championship that is preconceived or won to the tune of a booing crowd.

Personally, we have found the Arabian Horse Fairs to be the best marketing tool ever devised. We still



Top, famous sons of *Ansata Ibn Halima at the Reno Fair — Halima Sahib, Ansata El Sherif, Ansata Ibn Sudan, and El Hilal. Left, Don Forbis and Ansata Ibn Sudan at the Arabian Horse Fair, Louisville, Kentucky. Right, Xavier and Sharon Moreau-Sipiere, trainers at Ansata, with Ansata Ibn Sudan.

have people coming up to us and saying: I saw Ibn Sudan at the Fair in Louisville, or we saw your horses at the Reno Fair, or in Virginia, etc. The ratio of Fair returns to National returns for us has been 10 to one, and we've had our share of National wins.

The Egyptian Event is of similar design: laid back, fun, monetarily rewarding, educational, lightly competitive. And it *puts back into the industry*, rather than just take out, through its World Class Futurity program, etc.

How large a breeding farm is Ansata, and what are some

of your criteria in selling colts, fillies, and the price structures thereof?

Ansata maintains a herd of about 50 to 60 horses. We have never been a "large" farm in comparison to the giants of the industry. We have maintained a relatively low profile, and put quality in choice of stock before quantity or quick investment return. When necessary we have bought fillies rather than older mares, because we sought specific individuals and bloodlines. That requires patience, but in the long run there is no substitute for quality. You cannot paint a blue sky with black paint.



*Friends Gary and Myrna Libra of Mizan Arabians sent *Ansata Ibn Halima this Christmas wreath, which he greatly enjoyed eating.*

We offer between five and 12 individuals only for sale per year. If a colt does not meet our expectations as a breeding stallion prospect, it will be gelded. All of us have reached the point of wanting only our best quality stallion prospects to represent us in the industry.

There is a broad range in prices, depending on age, production capability, and individual quality. We have always put what we feel is a fair market price on our stock. New owners frequently have been offered substantial profits on their original investment within a few months of having purchased the animal from us.

We do not believe there should be any major difference in price between a superior colt or filly; in fact, we have always had greater demand for colts because straight Egyptian breeders, or those developing a program based on a portion of Egyptian blood, realize the importance of a superior colt or stallion on which to build. The return on an outstanding colt or stallion is quicker than on a mare, under certain conditions.

We sell as good and better than we keep. One can look at those breeders who have formed foundation programs based on Ansata stock. Sometimes it is necessary to retain something that will benefit us in our long-term program, and it may not be as good as what we sell.

Overall, what are the key elements of your marketing strategy? What programs have you developed to support

your customers, and how important do you feel that aspect is to the long-term marketing success of a breeding farm?

At the time we began in the breed over 20 years ago, we did not plan a "marketing strategy." Ansata has since become a truly shared concept — a key of life for many people who have come to admire what Ansata stands for in the world of Arabian horses.

Enthusiasm built on a motif of strong belief in the bloodlines we had chosen, and their obvious worth to the world, was the message we broadcast through the educational articles we wrote, through my books, and through our advertisements in *World* as well as in the show ring. Our movie, *Ansata, The Key of Life*, has been widely acclaimed both in and out of the industry. All these have benefited Ansata associates, because they have provided a long-term base of knowledge and success.

Additionally, we have shown horses for owners of Ansata-bred or related stock. We have assisted them in their advertising concepts, in planning their own future programs of success, and in their marketing. We have always chosen to support group efforts, such as those provided by the Pyramid Society. This allows each breeder to develop his own identity and individuality while providing the stability from which they can operate. Ansata has provided the hub; our associates provide the wheel.

We have supported the Pyramid Society's World Class Futurity and are offering incentive contributions to every mare owner breeding to Ansata-owned stallions. We encourage other Ansata stallion owners to do the same. Interestingly enough, in 1981 all four World Class Futurity classes were won by Ansata-related stock.

It appears to us that the greatest contribution a breeding farm can make is dedication to what it originally believed in, and pursuing it to the ends of the earth. Provided its concept is correct, and the quality is there, the "marketing strategy" will develop in proportion to the good the farm does. However, the day is rapidly approaching when it will be the responsibility of every breeder to contribute to the continued success of whatever individualized or specialized breeding programs of which he or she is a part.

What are your thoughts about private treaty sales versus auction sales? What factors led to the Pyramid Society's decision to hold an auction sale of straight Egyptian females at the 1982 Egyptian Event? Do you think it will become an annual affair?

Both methods of selling are valuable. Private treaty sales have been very successful for those breeding farms which have a goal in mind and who have developed an image with which others can associate. The name Ansata, for example, provides an immediate "trademark" to those who have Ansata-bred stock because we have developed a type which is recognized in the industry.

Some other farms and agents have used the auction block to create excitement and a showy atmosphere, and the buyers receive public acclaim if they purchase an extremely high-priced horse. In the excitement of the auction, prices well in excess of the horse's value may be paid.

Tastefully done and properly managed, both methods of selling are an asset to the industry. However, it appears that auction sales have sprung up everywhere with no purpose behind them other than to "sell" horses.

The Thoroughbred industry has developed model auctions that are controlled by its breeder's organization. A number of its aspects could be adopted by the Arabian industry.

The Pyramid Society's decision to hold an auction sale of straight Egyptian females was two-fold. First, it costs money to run any organization, and the Society has been funded primarily by volunteer contributions since we expanded our scope and opened an office in Kentucky. A percentage of the sale money goes to the Society to help it become self-sustaining, and to promote further growth. We

are *putting back into the industry*, therefore, rather than just taking out of it.

Secondly, and of equal importance, the sale provided a unique opportunity for buyers to purchase top quality breeding stock in one place, and the kind of stock that is generally unavailable on the open market place. Most of the individuals in the sale absolutely would not have been offered otherwise by the breeding farms that consigned them. The consignors agreed, however, that the purpose of this sale was important, and that if it was to be supported at all in concept, it must be supported in fact with foundation quality stock. Whether the sale becomes an annual event remains up to the board of directors.

Putting on successful auctions takes tremendous work, initiative, and expense. Private treaty sales afford more peace of mind, and that is worth a lot. Both have a place in the industry.

Discuss for a moment the Arabian horse as an investment, and your thoughts about the strong entry of the investment dollar in the Arab industry.

We see this with mixed emotions. It is foolish to think that anyone buying a horse for five, six and seven figure sums isn't considering it to some degree as an "investment."

As long as the breed remains in control of those who have the best interest of the horse first and foremost, the occasional investor who is in it strictly as a tax shelter won't matter much. However, if the reverse becomes true — we're in trouble.

We know a number of investors who became interested in Egyptian Arabians primarily from the investment standpoint, but when exposed to the history, romance, and artistic aspects of breeding, and the possibility of carving their own niche in Arabian horse history, became students and devotees of the breed. One does not have to be involved physically, on a day-to-day basis, to be interested in or take part in the industry.

If investors are educated about the industry, and take the time to become knowledgeable before they buy, and are encouraged to become active in the industry of which they are a part, then they hopefully will become assets rather than liabilities.

We cannot hope to continue growing as a breed if we solicit support only from those within the breed. And we cannot continue to show solidarity as a breed if people attracted to it get out within five years because they have been duped.

We all have an investment in this breed to protect: an investment in the past, in the present, and above all — in the future.



Chores: Judith Forbis at the Chickasha ranch.

THE INDUSTRY

What are the greatest strengths of the Arabian industry today? What are its weaknesses?

Wherever you travel in the world and encounter Arabian horse breeders and owners, there is a unity of spirit and dedication to this breed of horse. Make no mistake about it — Arabian horse breeders are different from any other group of horse lovers. There is an intangible tie that binds all of us together.

There are many wonderful people that make up this industry. Individually, they are purposeful and committed. But the energy has not yet been unified into the proper channel. Once an organization is created that represents the goals of the serious breeders, and approaches the industry from the level of business which it has reached because of the individual efforts of a few, then we should see unprecedented growth.

There are a number of areas that need serious addressing if this industry is to remain healthy. The following are just a few comments that we have heard from others, to which we also subscribe:

1) Given that horse shows are an important means

of measuring worth, the present judging system needs re-evaluating.

2) We need a breeder's organization with teeth to administer and enforce rules.

3) We need to provide some means of education within the industry to train, or foster education of, young people who want to become a part of it. The Academy proposed by Jay Stream some years ago could have provided this. Hopefully the Arabian Horse Trust will initiate some stimulus in this direction.

4) We need to develop projects to *put money back into the industry*. There are a host of sales — all of which take out. We need to develop more incentives in horse shows, through futurities or other concepts, to enable breeders and owners to recoup investments and show eventual profits. Some meetings of the minds — business minds — must re-energize the direction of this breed. We have taken a giant step out of the past, which has left a vacuum in its wake. The fun now begins: to move forward, pass "Go" and make sure the monopoly in this industry is collective, not individual.

5) Last, but most important of all, is the horse. In the wake of furious marketing and expansion, we

must make provision that the horse does not take second place; that his rights as an individual are protected, and that the abuse we have seen taking place in the show ring is reprimanded, exposed, and curtailed. *Owners* and *trainers* are responsible to see that the animal that makes this industry what it is doesn't suffer in the process.

The Pyramid Society — in what ways have the goals of this organization changed and expanded since its inception? Do you foresee the role of the Society changing significantly in the future?

One needs first to examine the motive for the Pyramid Society's inception. It was organized to preserve and perpetuate a specific genetic pool of blood that was in jeopardy of being lost.

The influence and power of this gene pool cannot be denied. The Arabian breeders of the western world owe their very existence to it — primarily through the influence of the Blunt importations to England in the mid-1800s based on Ali Pasha Sherif and Abbas Pasha stock.

The Pyramid Society is primarily fraternal and educational. There are variations in degree of "promotion and marketing" in the success of any venture.

Those of us who founded the Society did so with the overall good of the breed in mind, and anyone who appreciates fine Arabian horses is welcome to join.

The role of the Society as a leader in the Arabian world has been well established — it has been emulated in every respect, from the educational concepts it originally began to the dynamic concepts opened up to the business world by some of its members.

The Society may well broaden its activities in various fields of leadership that relate to and enhance the original intent. We expect to continue providing a model of excellence in all our endeavors. The Egyptian Event, the World Class Futurity, the Reference Handbooks, the Egyptian Breeders Open Houses, have been done with taste, class, style, and dignity befitting the breed.

The concepts of the Pyramid Society rest on a solid and timeless base.

Of the many people who have contributed to the development of the Arabian breed throughout the world, whom do you most admire, and why?

Walter Farley, for writing *The Black Stallion* series. His imagination and love for the Arabian horse probably have captivated more people — young

and old — than that of any other single individual in the history of the breed.

Lady Anne Blunt, for her incredible courage, fortitude and dedication, and for furthering the Arabian horse in Egypt and England. She was a woman of rare talent, gentility, and nobility; truly one of the most gracious and adventurous Victorians.

Carl Raswan, for his books and dedication to the Arabian horse in its native lands and throughout the world during his lifetime, and for providing inspiration to all who love the classic beauty of this breed.

Henry B. Babson, another unique individual. Beginning his breeding program while he was in his late 50s, he stuck to his convictions about bloodlines, and the Babson Farm is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The stock today is based primarily on the blood of the same five imports Babson brought from Egypt in 1932 — a testimony to the quality of stock he chose.

General Tibor von Pettko Szandtner, who took over the Egyptian Agricultural Organization's breeding program in 1948 and ran it for more than 10 years, bringing the stud to new heights. It was he who rediscovered Nazeer and used him heavily in the breeding program. We never met him, but the results of this master breeder stood before us in 1959. It was he who was in charge of planning the matings which resulted in *Ansata Ibn Halima, *Ansata Bint Mabrouka, and *Ansata Bint Zaafarana.

There are many persons still living whom we admire greatly at home and abroad, but we mention the above because they have stood the test of time.

A hundred years from now, when Arabian Horse World asks the previous question in an interview and Ansata is mentioned, for what would you like to be remembered?

We hope we'll be considered as one of the strongest links in the long chain of events that has bound the Arabian horse world together.

And finally, do you have a "wildest fantasy" tucked beneath your turban?

I thought you'd never ask.

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We thank you for proving our philosophy that there is no success without successors, for Ansata is where it is today because you too have succeeded;

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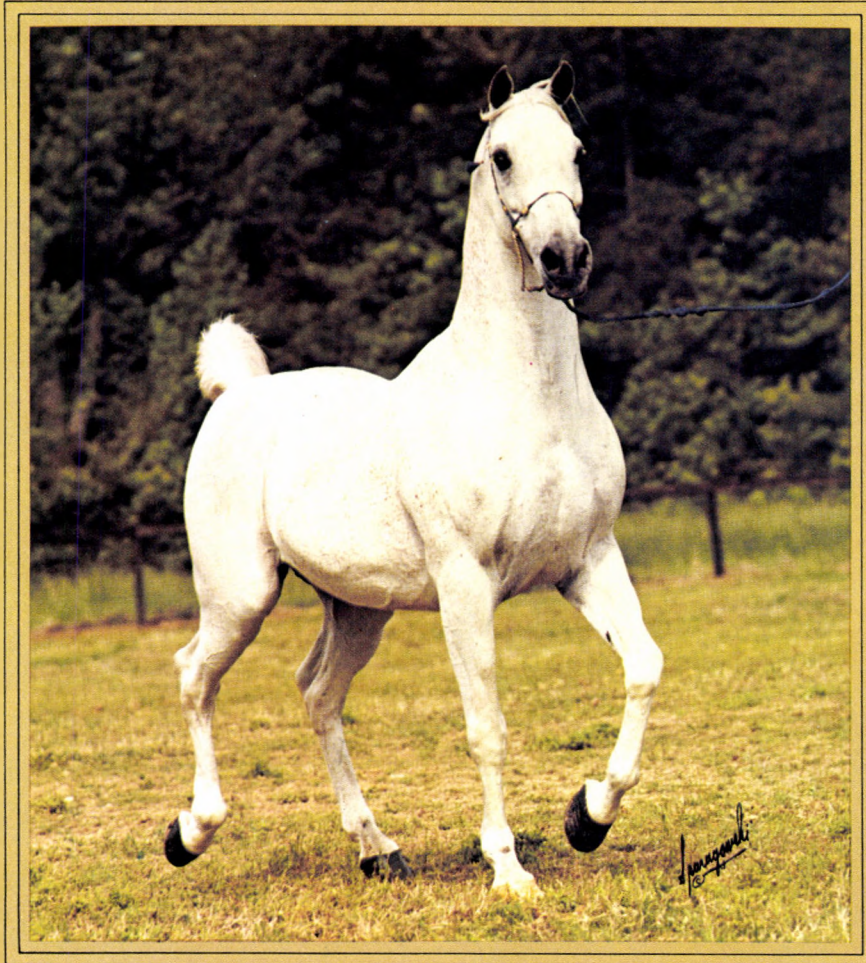


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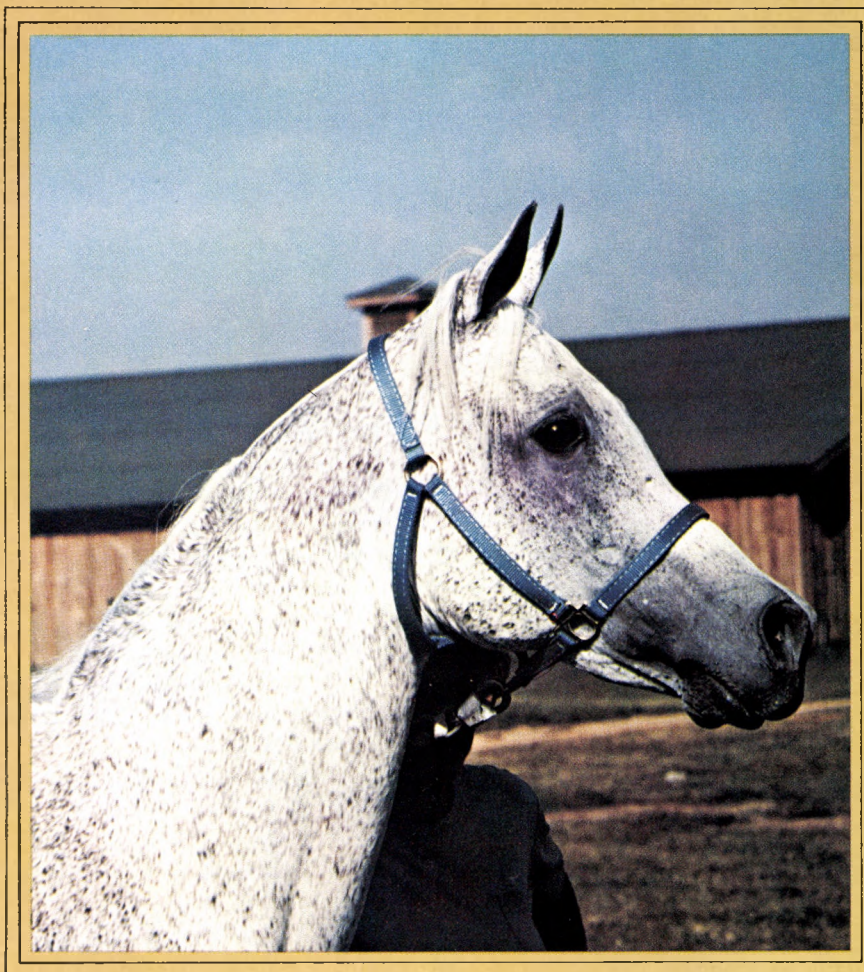
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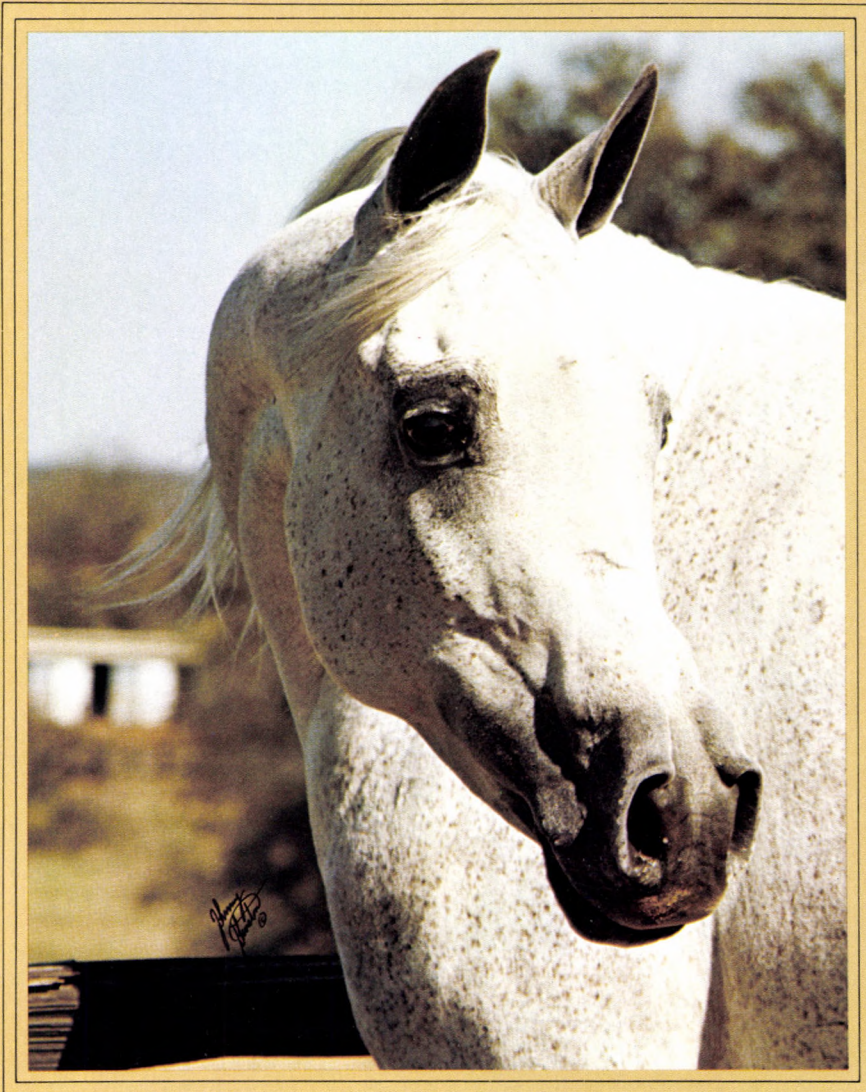
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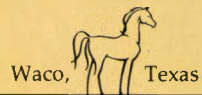
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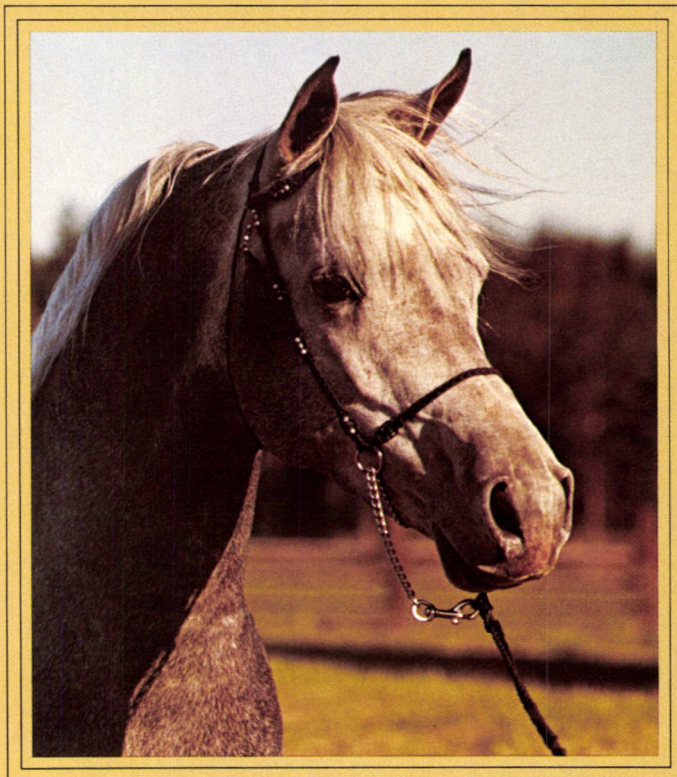
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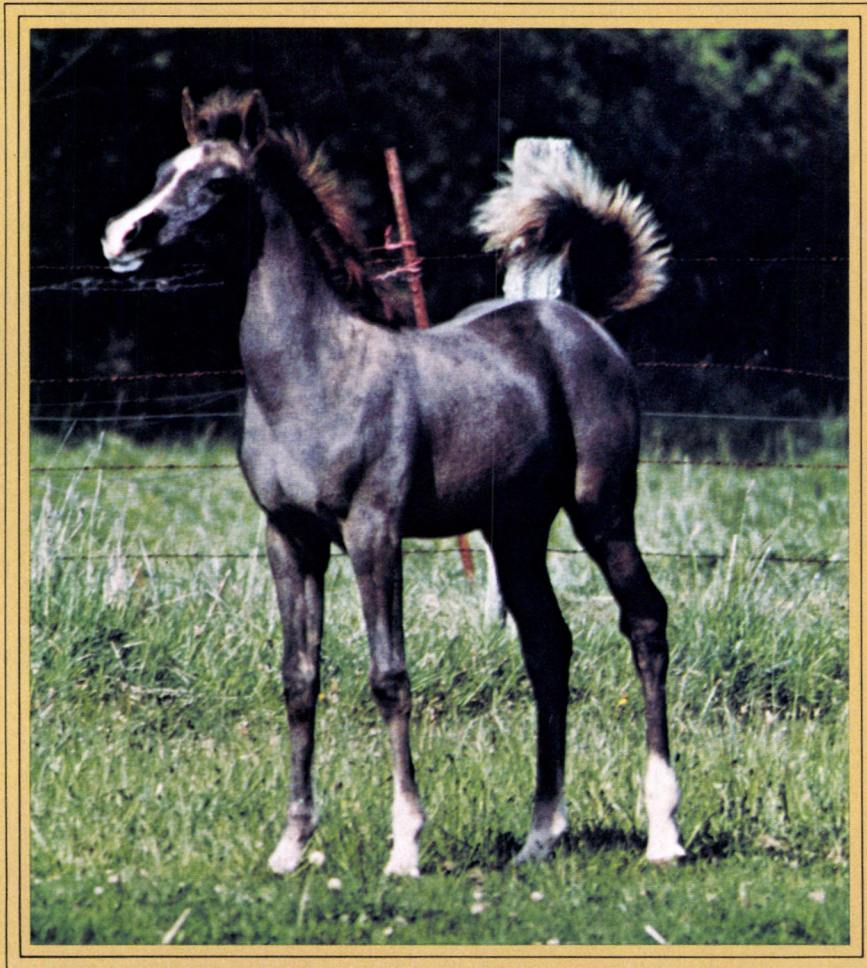


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	Gai Rap Heidi	(Rapson x Ga-Zimara - Ga'zi)

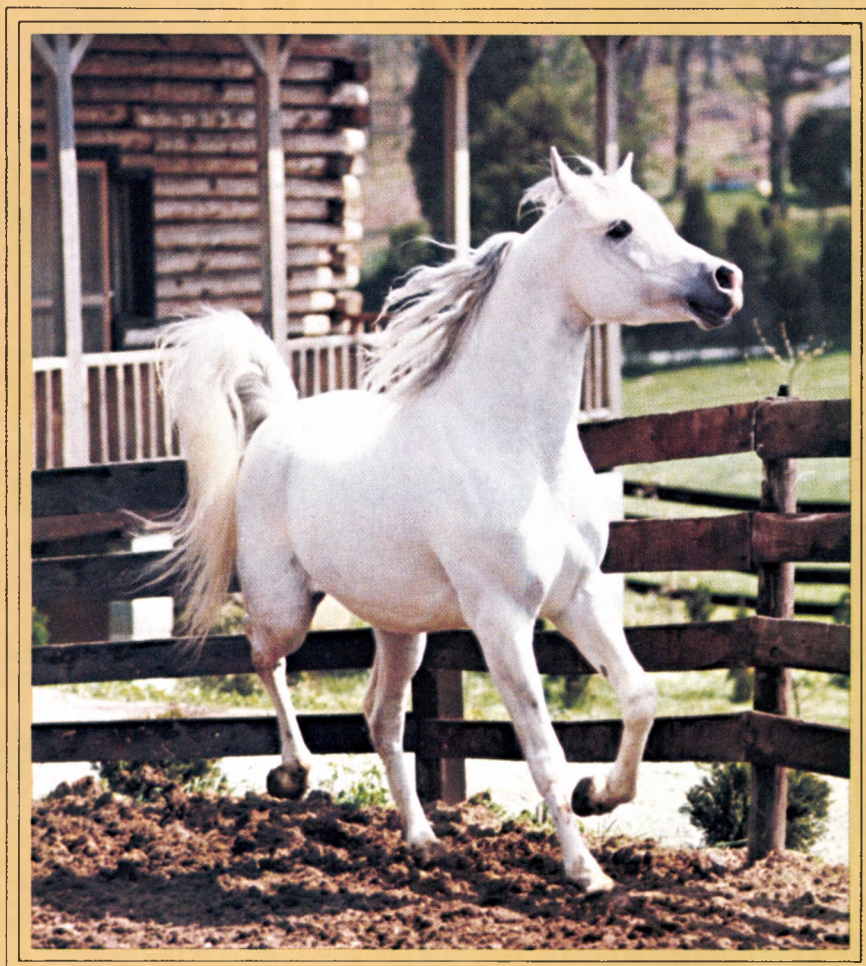
Tzar Arabians would like to thank Dana Arabian Stud for giving us the opportunity to breed the blood of *Ansata Ibn Halima through his son Ansata Emir Halim with the legendary American blood of our foundation broodmare to produce this beautiful filly of extreme Arabian type. Dafina is bred back to Halim for a 1983 foal.

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Several years ago we visited Ansata and will never forget the excitement when we focused our eyes on *Ansata Ibn Halima and all his progeny, not to mention all the beautiful mares and foals.

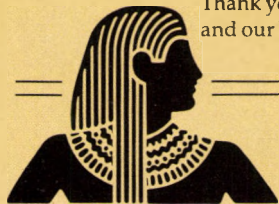
Shortly after this educational trip, the Forbises were kind enough to lease to us Ansata Abu Sudan (Ansata Ibn Sudan x *Ansata Bint Misuna) and Ansata El Mabrouk (*Ansata Ibn Halima x Ansata Damietta) to complement our lovely mares.

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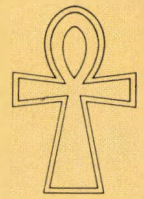
| Ansata Shah Zaman
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Our sincere appreciation and admiration to Don and Judi Forbis for their foresight and great contribution to the improvement of the breed. Ansata Amon Ra has become one of the most popular straight Egyptian stallions on the West Coast, and his prepotency is evident in the excellence of his foals. Amon Ra is a champion and full brother to Ansata Imperial, U.S. Futurity Top Ten, owned by Imperial Egyptian Stud. We purchased Amon Ra from Ansata as a weanling and thank Don and Judi for making our dreams a reality.



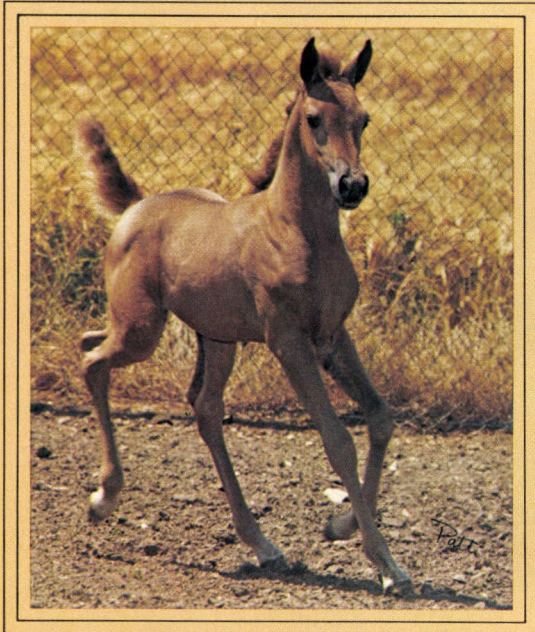
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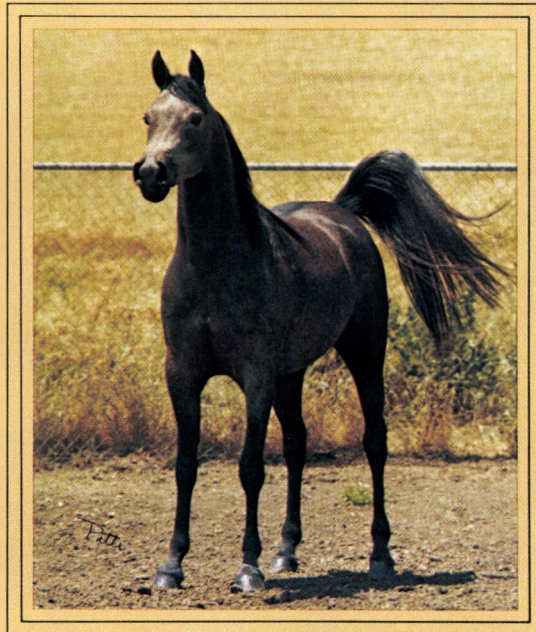
ANSATA AMON RA FOALS

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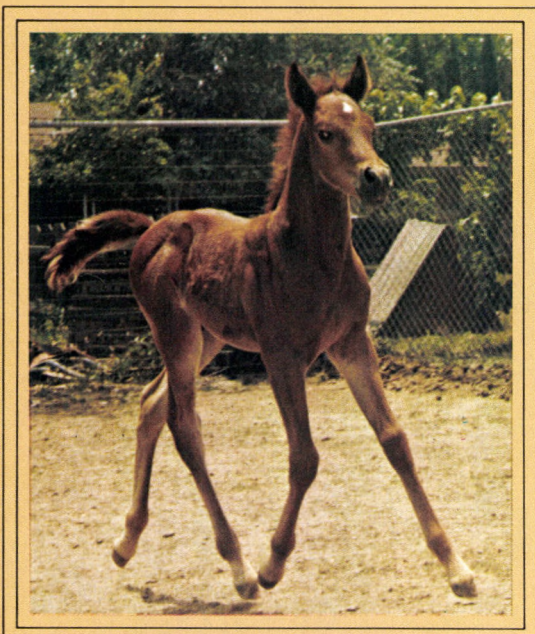
x Ansata El Sherif daughter
Owned by Ms. Su Fredle

AMON RAYA



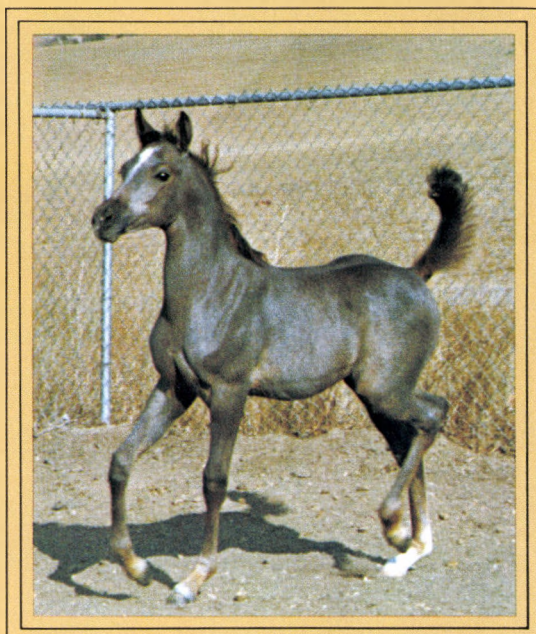
x The Real McCoy daughter
Owned by D.R. Bevier

AMON RAZEER



x double Disaan mare
Owned by Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Ware

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x Royal Storm granddaughter
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HALIM EL SAYYID

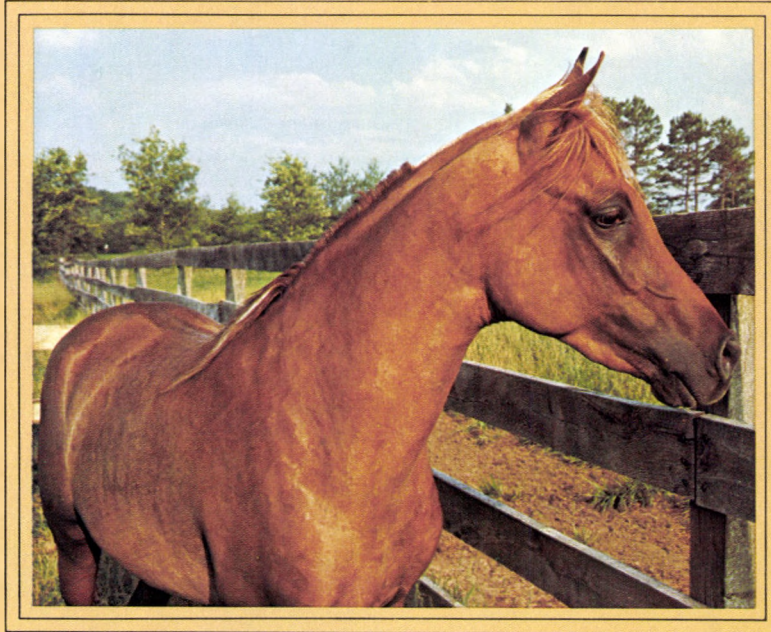


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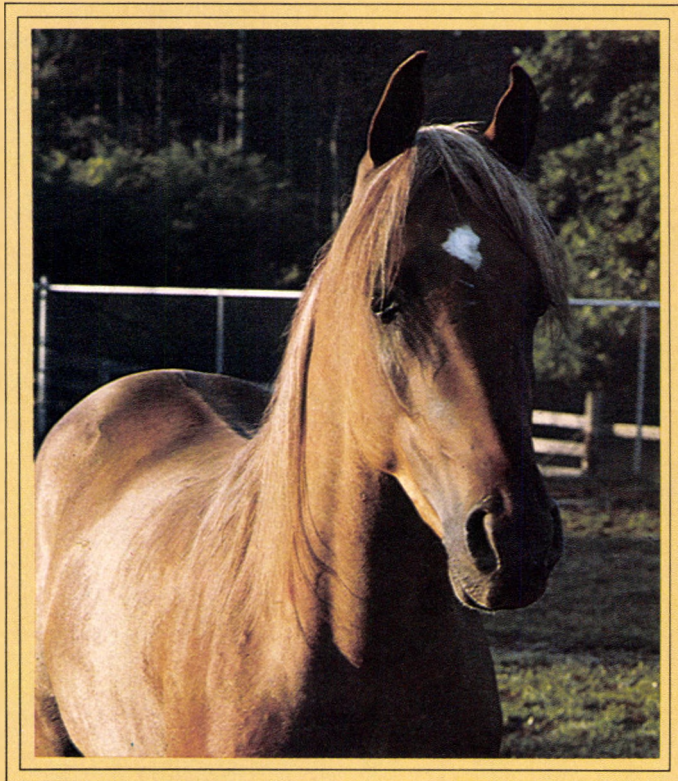
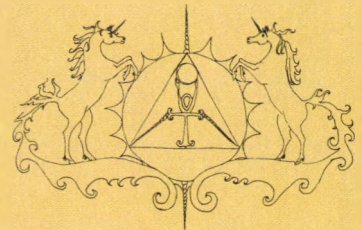


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	Nazeer
*Ansata Ibn Halima	Halima
	*Morafic
Nama	*Bint Nefisaa

A.H.R. No. 222462
Chestnut Stallion
Foaled, April 1980



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*Ansata Ibn Halima made a lasting impression on those who were fortunate enough to have seen him, in addition to his incredible impact upon the Arabian breed. In appreciation to Judith and Don Forbis for the advice and support at crucial times in the development of our breeding program, we wish to honor *Ansata Ibn Halima by presenting his descendants in our herd and program, especially Halim el Sayyid.

Of impeccable breeding, Sayyid reflects his noble heritage with utmost elegance and perfection of form, plus a truly special way of being which portrays the greatness inherent in his lineage. His playful spirit balances his profound effect upon all who come to know him. We proudly announce his arrival to North Carolina, where he will be standing at stud in 1982 and 1983. We wish to express our thanks to Lydia and Bill Yee of Stone Ridge Arabians for breeding this fine stallion and for allowing us to purchase him. Sayyid represents the exact genetic balance sought for in our program, as he is not only of the Dahman Shahwan strain, but also traces in tail-female line to Farida, the same line as *Ibn Halima himself. "The Farida branch of the El Dahma family represents the ultimate in this strain with regard to classic type. Farida was a broodmare par excellence." Quote from *The Classic Arabian Horse* by Judith Forbis.

The goal is to perpetuate and concentrate the blood of *Ibn Halima, by intensifying the Nazeer and Farida lines through Nama and by linebreeding through our mares the additional lines of Ansata Ibn Sudan, The Egyptian Prince, *Darrag, *Fol Yasmeen, and hopefully, El Hilal, as our exceptional Zarabo + daughter is due in August. Also, her 3-year-old filly, a blue-ribbon halter winner and a granddaughter of The Egyptian Prince, is presently being bred to Ansata Ibn Sudan for a 1983 foal. We are well on our way to these goals with our two Ansata-bred yearlings, an exquisite Sudan filly out of our *Darrag daughter, and an absolutely stunning colt by Ansata el Ghazal, out of the Zarabo + mare. Watch for them in the future. We eagerly await all foals-to-be by Ansata Ibn Sudan, El Hilal, and Halim el Sayyid. The dawning of the dream is here.

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ANSATA WANISA

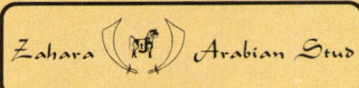


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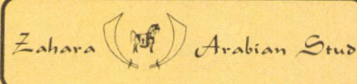


(Ansata Halima Son x Ansata Wanisa)

Pharaoh's horses in all their splendor would not have outclassed this magnificent yearling colt who stood third in the Top Ten placings at the 1982 Scottsdale yearling class.

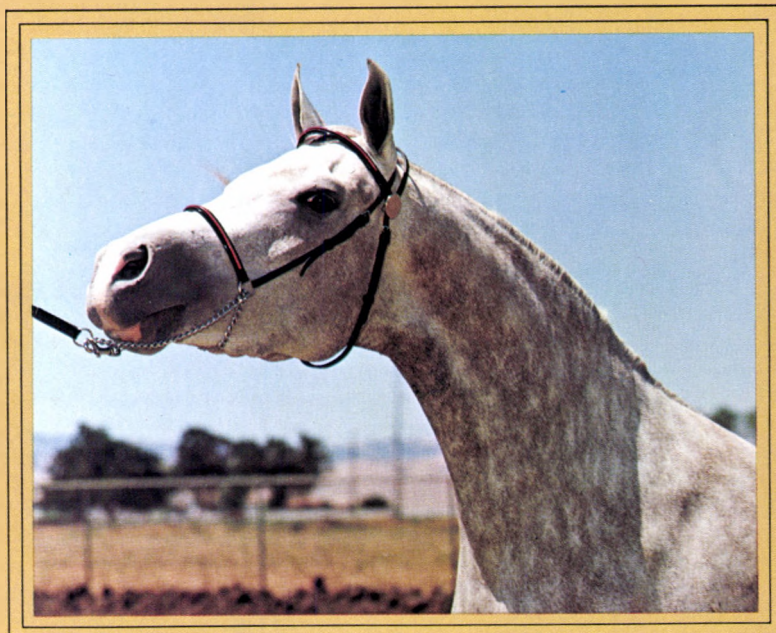
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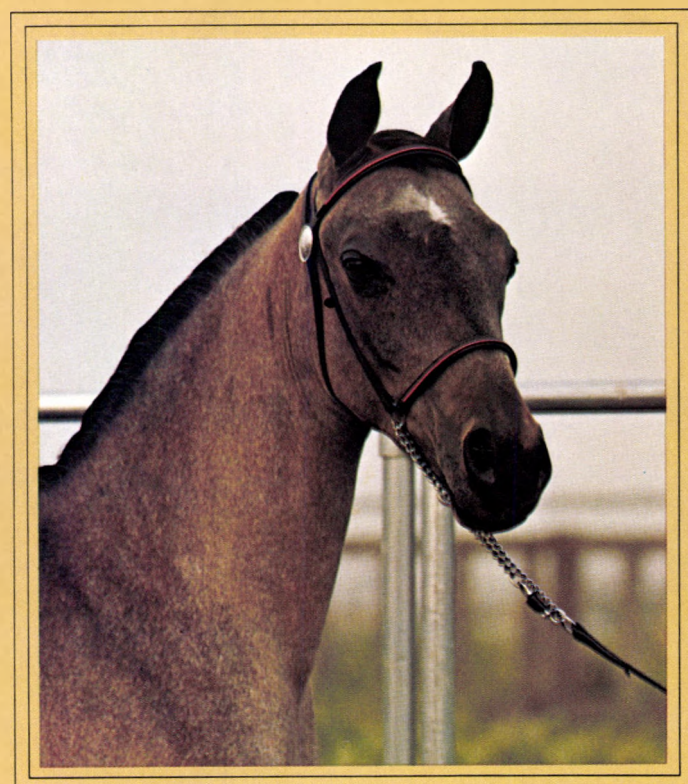


SHAHNA LEA



Ansata Shah Zam x
C.A. Izzra
Top Ten Cal-Bred
Futurity 1981

C.A. BLUE MAJIC



Ansata Majid Shaw x
Blue Nocturne

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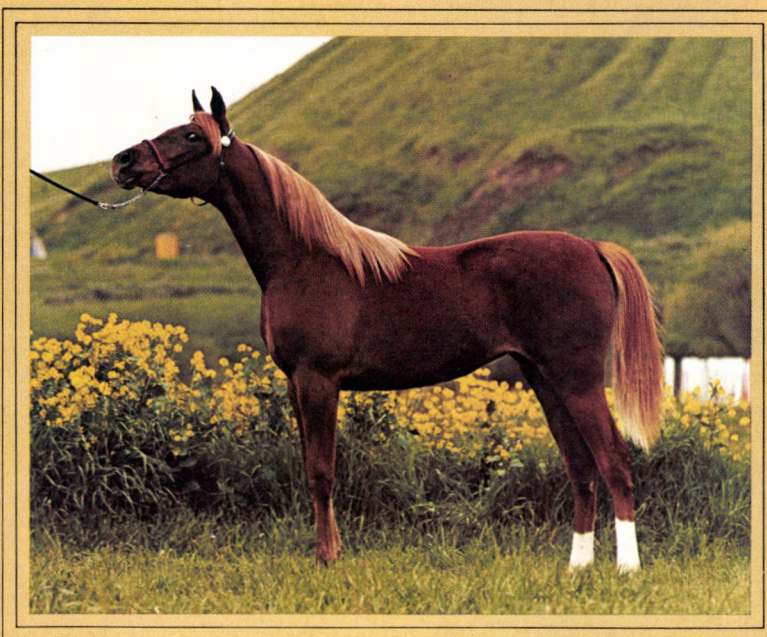
C.A. SHAHARA ZAM

Ansata Shah Zam x
Bey Fantasy
Multi-blue ribbon
winner in halter and
classic head 1982



C.A. SUDETTE

Ansata Ibn Sudan
x Sudairja
Multi-ribbon winner in
halter 1982



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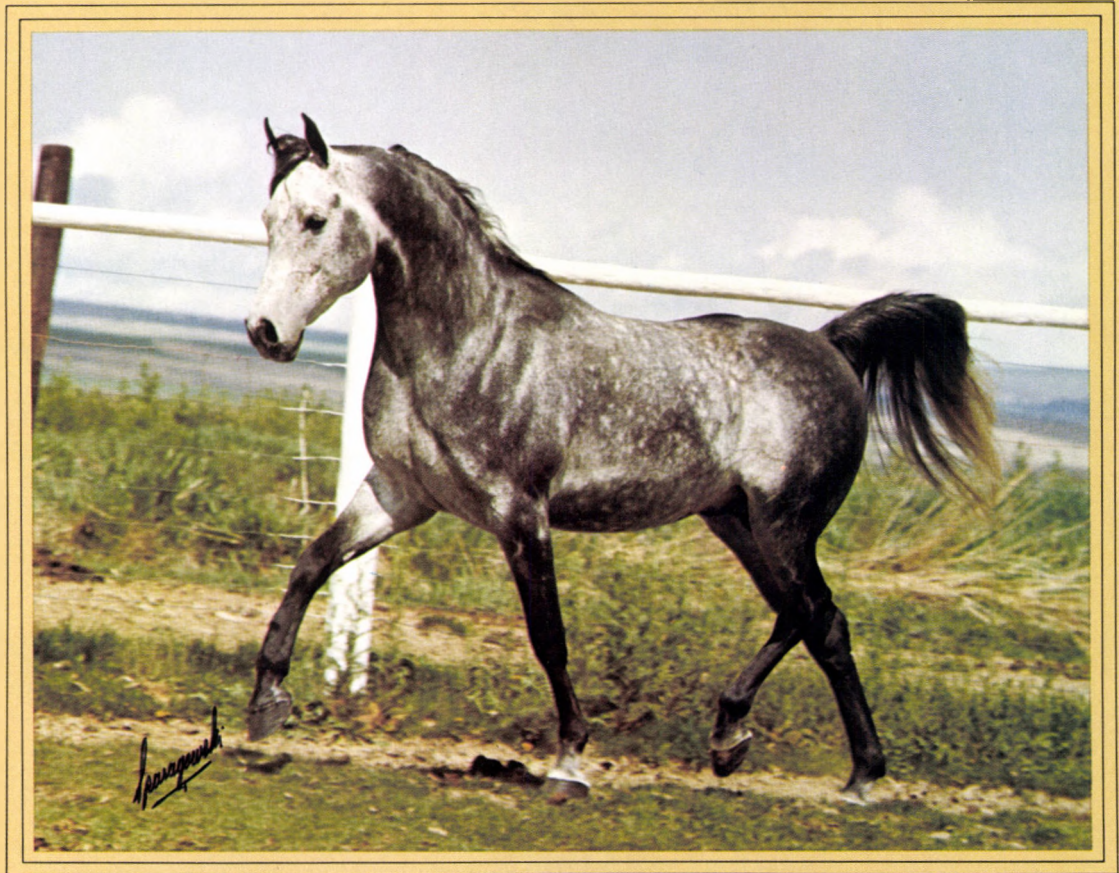
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KATOURAH	(Mohssen x Nourah)
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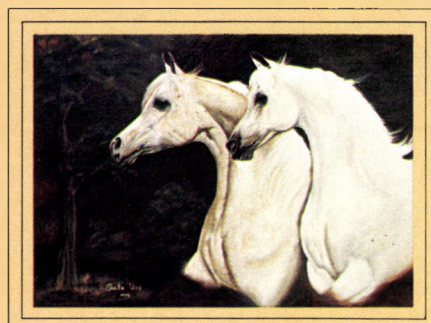
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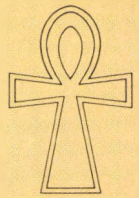
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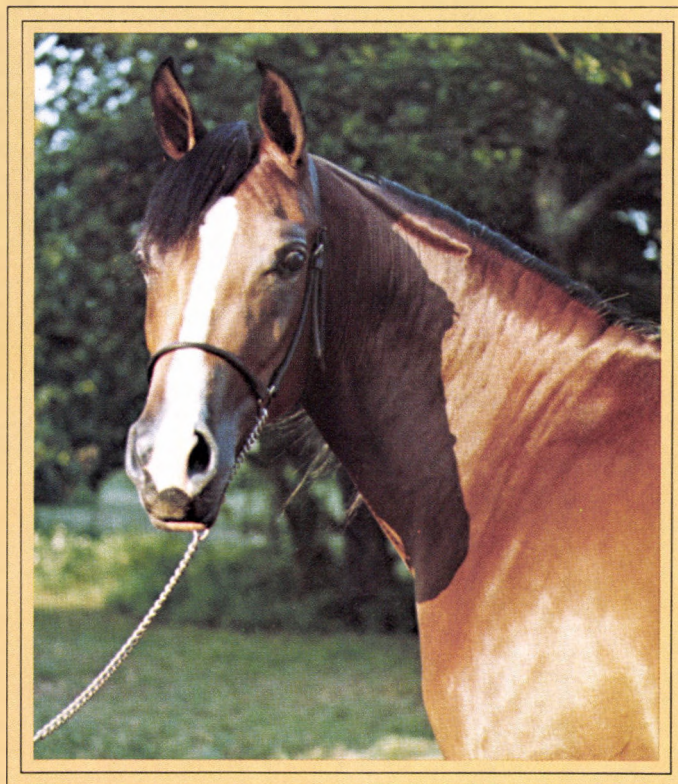


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57438 **KAMIM ++**
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x Kamocli)
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Top Photo

Kamim ++ has just been named Champion Western Pleasure at his first two shows of the season: Tulsa Spring and Oklahoma Double Header.



KAMIM ++

69877 **SAUCEE SU**
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x Ro Khususi)
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Multiple halter champion out of Ro Khususi (dam of nine halter champions). Saucee has presented us with an exotic grey filly by *Marsianin. She is presently being bred back to Ariston.

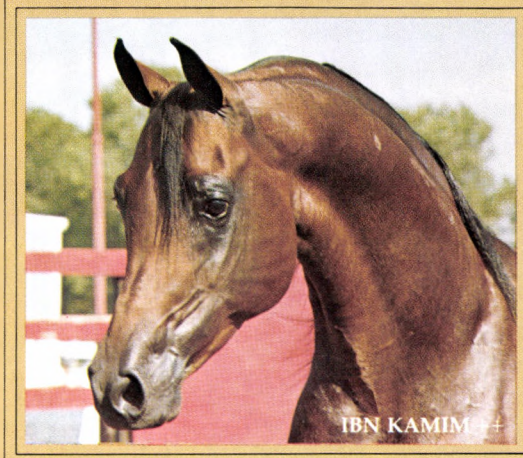


SAUCEE SU

IBN KAMIM ++
(Kamim ++ x Ro Khususi)

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Announcing Grand Champion Stallion at Oklahoma Double Header, Show I and II. Handled skillfully by Gene Reichardt.



IBN KAMIM ++

1982 ARRIVALS:

Bay filly by *Muscat x Sassy Su
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x Ro Khususi)

Grey filly by *Marsianin x Saucee Su
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x Ro Khususi)

Chestnut filly by *Muscat x Kalima
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x Kamocli)

Bay filly by *Aladdinn x Bonnfire
(*Bask ++ x Countess Semar)

EXPECTING FOALS IN 1983

BY:

*Pesniar, *Salon, Barbary ++, Ariston, *Muscat,
*Aladdinn, Kamim ++, and Ibn Kamim ++

OUT OF:

*Bask ++, *Ansata Ibn Halima ++,
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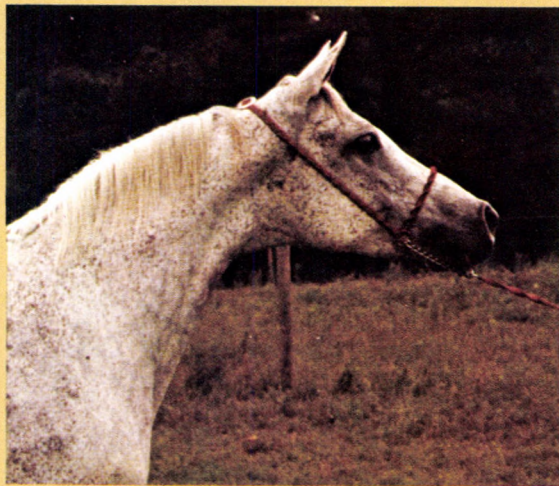


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J.J. Zarena (Babson/
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OF EGYPT
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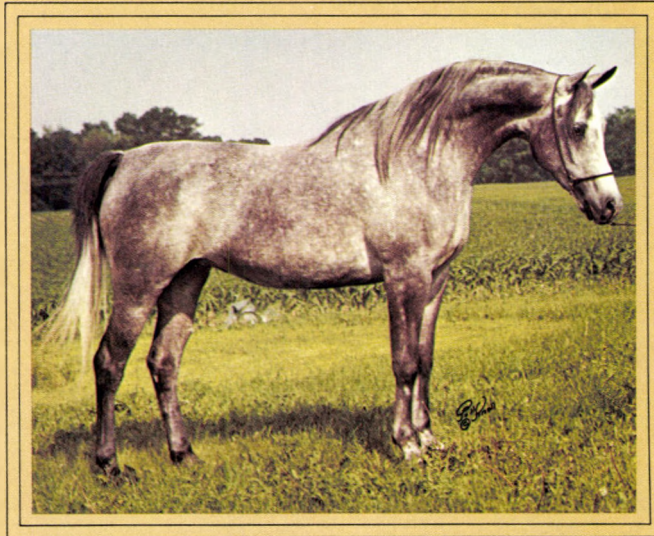
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- | *Hoyeda

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- ANSATA Nile Jewel (*Morafic x FALIMA by *ANSATA Ibn Halima ++)
- Farsa (*ANSATA Ibn Halima ++ x *Hoyeda by *Morafic)
- Bakheeta (Mohssen by *ANSATA Ibn Halima ++ x Nama by *Morafic)
- ANSATA Nile Moon (ANSATA Shah Zaman x ANSATA Nile Jewel)
- ANSATA Nile Gift (ANSATA Ibn Sudan x ANSATA Nile Jewel)
- Hadaya Nile Nefertiti (*Fayek x ANSATA Nile Jewel)
- Hadaya Anisa (*Fakher El Din x Farsa by *ANSATA Ibn Halima ++)
- Hadaya Nile Nefertiti (ANSATA Halim Bey x Hadaya Nile Nefertiti)
- Ramses El Kamal (*Fayek x *Nayla by Hadban Enzahi)

STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN STALLION PROSPECTS:

- Hadaya Beau Halim (*ANSATA Ibn Halima ++ x Ramses El Kamal by *Fayek)
- Hadaya Nile Courtier (Keyaf by *Fayek x ANSATA Nile Jewel)
- Hadaya Nile Comet (ANSATA Ibn Sudan x ANSATA Nile Moon)
- Hadaya Bay Halim Bey (ANSATA Halim Bey x Ramses El Kamal)
- Hadaya Nile Anwar (Nabiel x ANSATA Nile Gift)

STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN /*TURFA MARES AND FILLIES:

- Kamal Fay Asam (*Fayek x Imaara)
- Hadaya Fayekaara (*Fayek x Imaara)
- Hadaya Sudanaara (ANSATA Ibn Sudan x Imaara)
- Hadaya Key Breeze (Keyaf by *Fayek x Kamal Fay Asam by *Fayek)
- Hadaya Halimaara (ANSATA Halim Bey x Hadaya Sudanaara by ANSATA I. Sudan)
- Hadaya Shah Zeera (ANSATA Shah Zeer x Hadaya Fayekaara)
- Hadaya Fay Etta (ANSATA Halim Bey x Kamal Fay Asam)
- Hadaya Taya (Hadaya Beau Halim by *ANSATA Ibn Halima ++ x Hadaya Sudanaara by ANSATA Ibn Sudan)
- Hadaya Fay Ana (Nabiel x Kamal Fay Asam)

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- Tuhotmaar (*Tuhotmos x Imaara), owned by John & Barbara Finch
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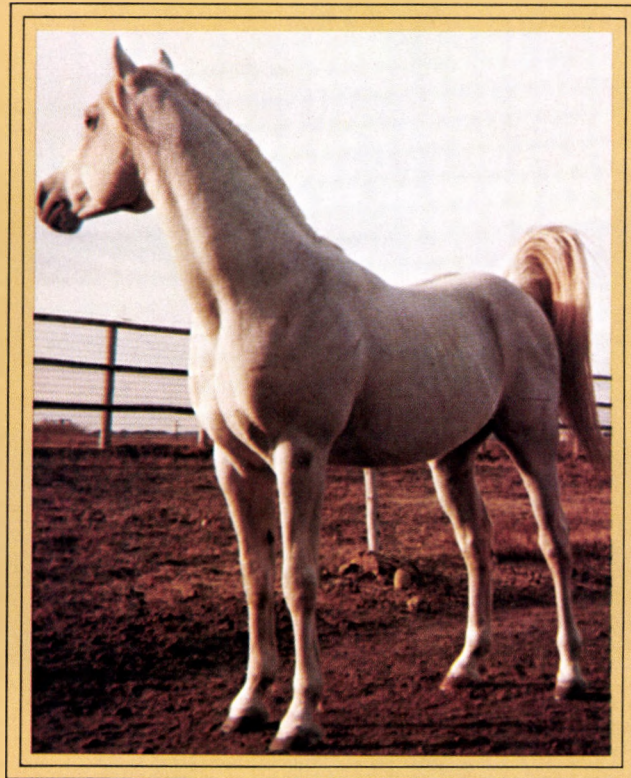
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Dam: FEHRDAENA 15487

36866 FELIMA
Dam: FEHRDAENA 15487

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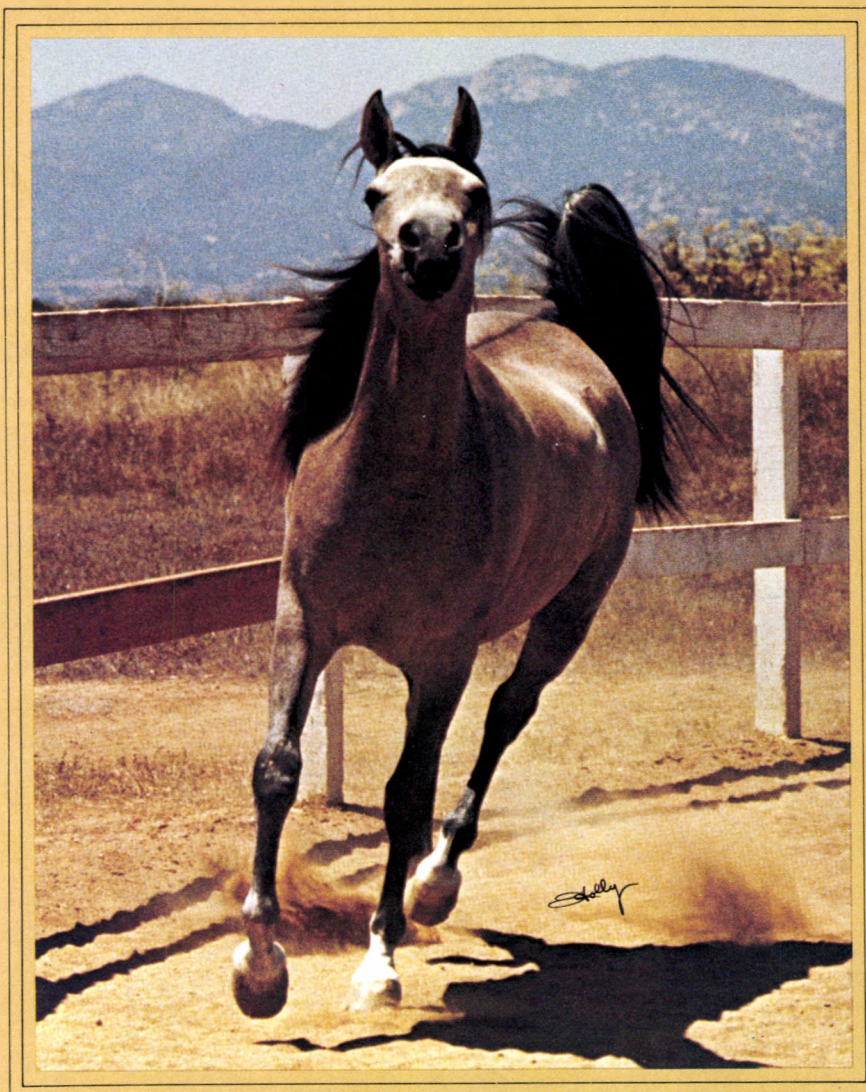
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Halima
Rafhar
Turfara

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(Sheikh el Arab x Ragia)
(Kabar x Rafadin)
(*Fadl x *Turfa)

DAM OF:

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FAKHER EL MANSOUR 104107, by *Fakher El Din, black
MOST CLASSIC STALLION, ANCC - 1980

HFS POMPEII 184175, by Bask Bay, grey
FUTURITY STALLION, ANCC - 1982

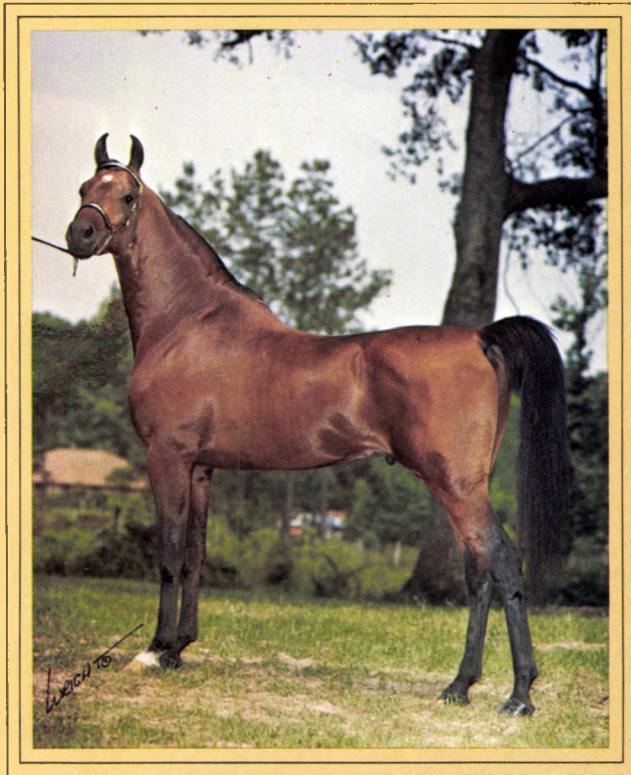


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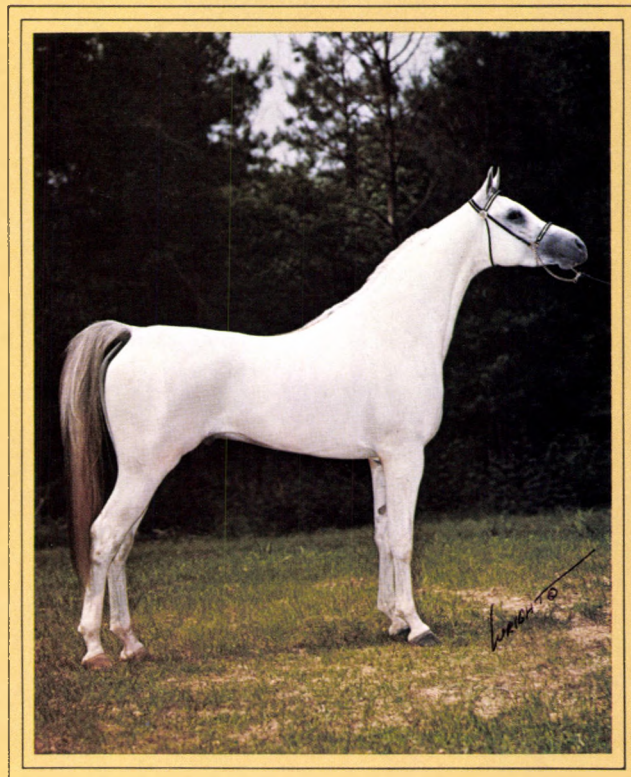
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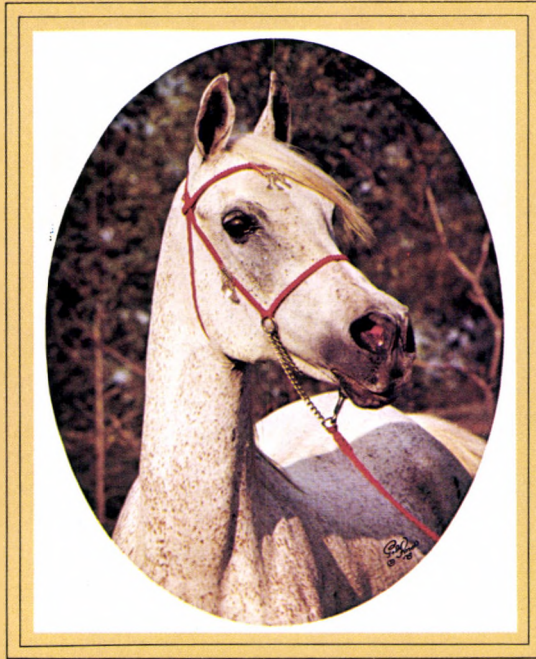
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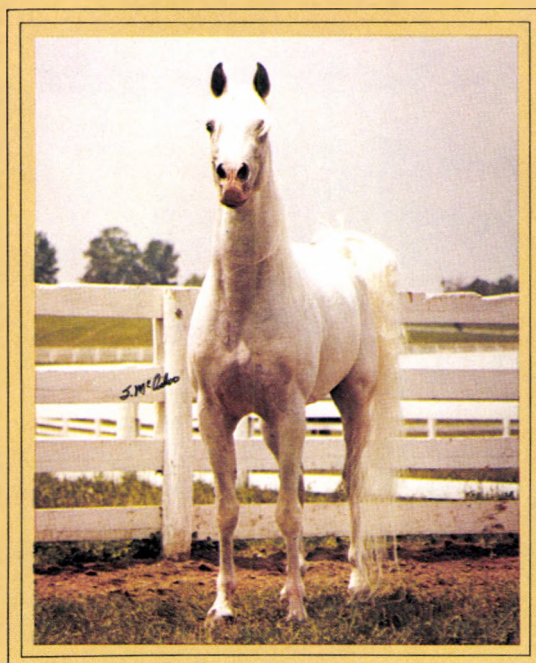


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ANSATA EL NISR 41581



1967 STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN STALLION

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SHAH ZAMIEA



THANK YOU, ANSATA SHAH ZAMAN

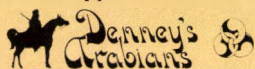
Elegant 2-year-old filly

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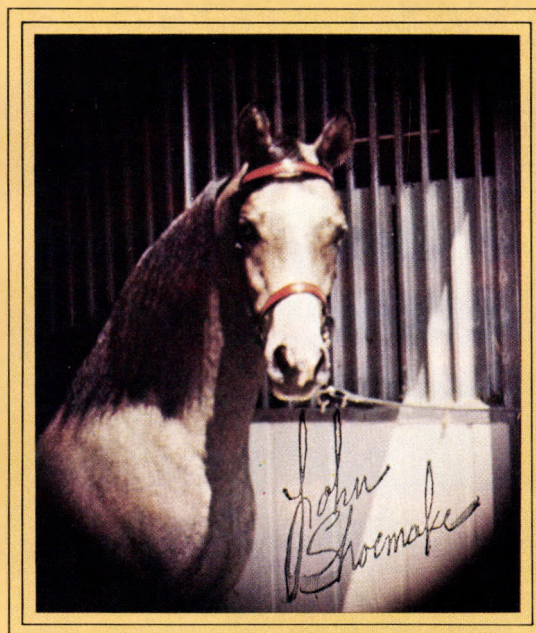
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1982 Bay Filly

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In this issue, which honors the contribution of Don and Judi Forbis through Ansata Arabian Stud's decades of dedication to the Egyptian Arabian breed, we wish to extend our own special thank you as a small part of the Ansata legacy. Ansata breeding has provided Wedgewood Farm with a solid foundation. Among the Egyptian Arabians we prize highly are several Halima-bred horses and several of our foundation mares. But perhaps most exciting to all of us at Wedgewood are our two young Ansata-bred stallions, Halim El Nefous and Halim El Kateef.

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1971 Chestnut Mare

Ansata Abbas Pasha

Fa Abba

*Ansata Ibn Halima ++

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*Fadl

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(Nazeer x Halima)

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SAJHA SELKET



1979 Grey Mare

(Nazeer x Mabrouka) *Morafic
(Shahloul x Wanisa) Moniet El Nefous
(*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ x *Ansata Bint Mabrouka) Ansata Abbas Pasha
(*Fadl x *Bint Bint Sabbah) Fa Abba

*Ibn Moniet El Nefous
Bint Fa Abba

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MONA DENA



*Morafic
(Nazeer x Mabrouka)

*Ibn Moniet El Nefous

Moniet El Nefous
(Shahloul x Wanisa)

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(Nazeer x Halima)

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Bint Bukra	Malaka
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To Judi and Don:

For your sound advice and warm hospitality both here and in Egypt, we thank you.

Elis and Barbara

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Moniet El Nefous			242582
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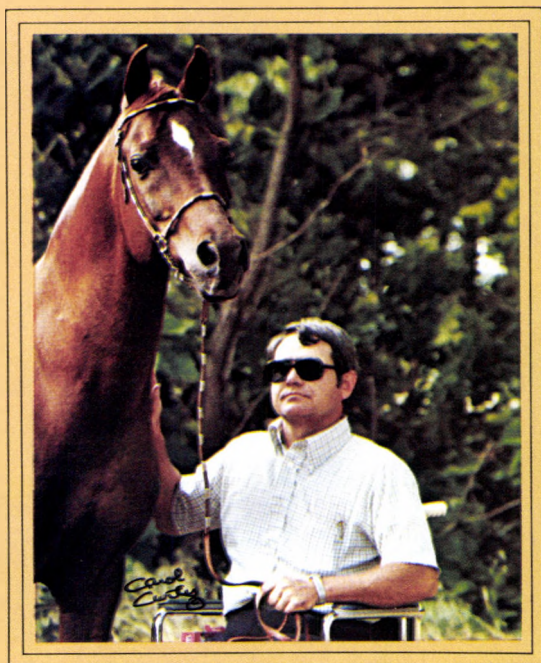
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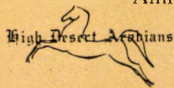
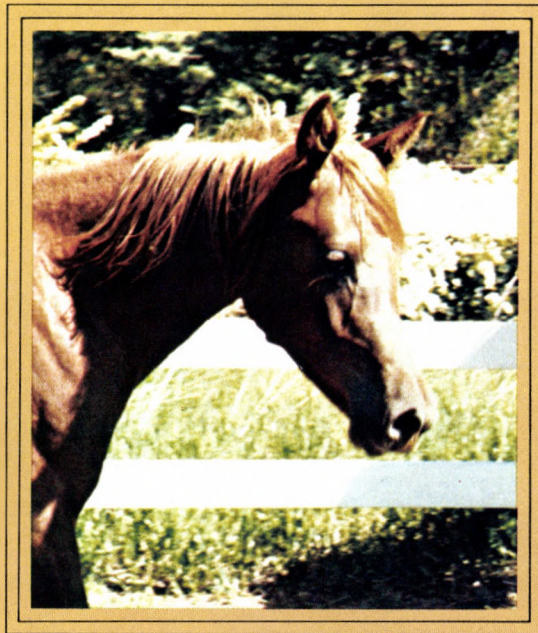
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'80 SHAH SUDAN
(Ansata Ibn Sudan x Bint
Serris)

'80 SABU SUDAN
(Ansata Ibn Sudan x Fay Sue)

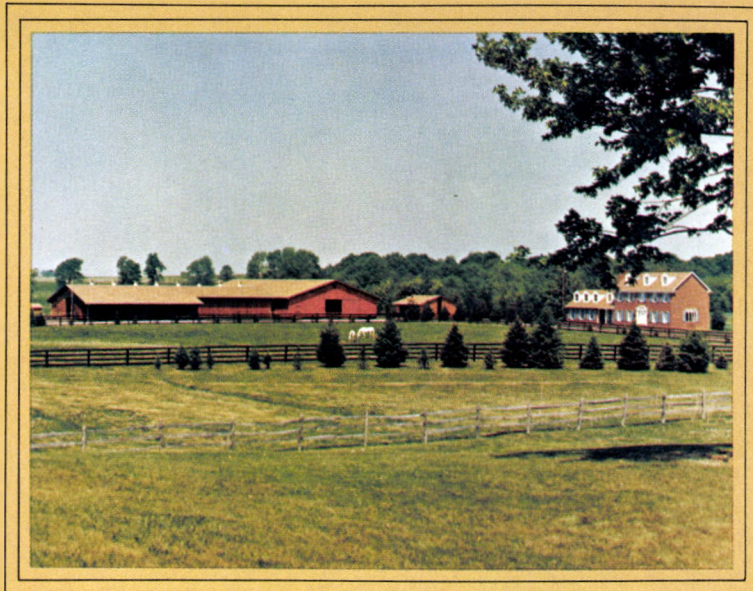
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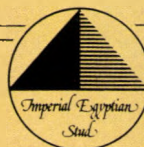


(Ansata Ibn Sudan x Ansata Delilah)

IMPERIAL EGYPTIAN STUD is pleased to have this opportunity to pay tribute to Don and Judi Forbis of Ansata Arabian Stud. We are thankful for their insight and devotion to the Egyptian Arabian horses and for their generosity in making available to others their prized blood and valuable knowledge.

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Imperial Mistique (Moniet El Nafis x Ansata Nile Mist)
Negmaa (*Ansata Ibn Halima x *Bint Nefisaa)
Nile Lily (El Hilal x Niema)
Imperial Im Ladeda (Ansata Imperial x Nile Lily)
Imperial Sonbesjul (Hossny x *Serenity Sonbolah)
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Dean Homstead of Grove Hill Farm on the lease of Imperial Imshan (Ansata Imperial x Ishan).

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Several years ago, when we chose to pursue a breeding program with Egyptian horses, we were naturally drawn to the type, elegance and class of *Ansata Ibn Halima ++. We felt he not only possessed qualities that reflected the virtues of the authentic Arabian horse, but also passed them on with unusual consistency.

Our first mare, Atallah, is a daughter of *Ansata Ibn Halima ++. Atallah is the prototype of our females, a champion in England and Europe, dam of the current Reserve European International Champion Mare. We thought so highly of her that our farm carries her name. Her dam, Mon Ami, is by *Ibn Moniet El Nefous out of Bint Fada. Atallah's dam, granddam and great-granddam have all produced significant champions.

We next selected Princess Nile, one of the finest daughters of *Ibn Moniet El Nefous. Her dam, the double Antar-bred Hamamaa, produced Australian National Champion Hansan. We thought so highly of this cross, we had Princess Nile bred to *Ansata Ibn Halima ++ for her first foal, which arrived this spring. Princess Nile gave us Fahima. Our third mare who carries the blood of *Ansata Ibn Halima ++ is Monalai, sired by El Hilal, out of Illaila, a full sister to The Egyptian Prince. Again, the combination of *Ansata Ibn Halima ++ with the tail female line to Moniet El Nefous has produced a magnificent mare.

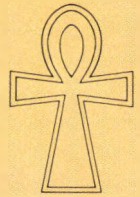
As one can observe, we have recognized the value of Ansata breeding in our program. Don and Judi Forbis have graciously shared their breeding with us. We extend our sincerest appreciation for their dedication to the ideals of authentic Arabian horses.



Atallah
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ATALLAH



1972 Grey Mare

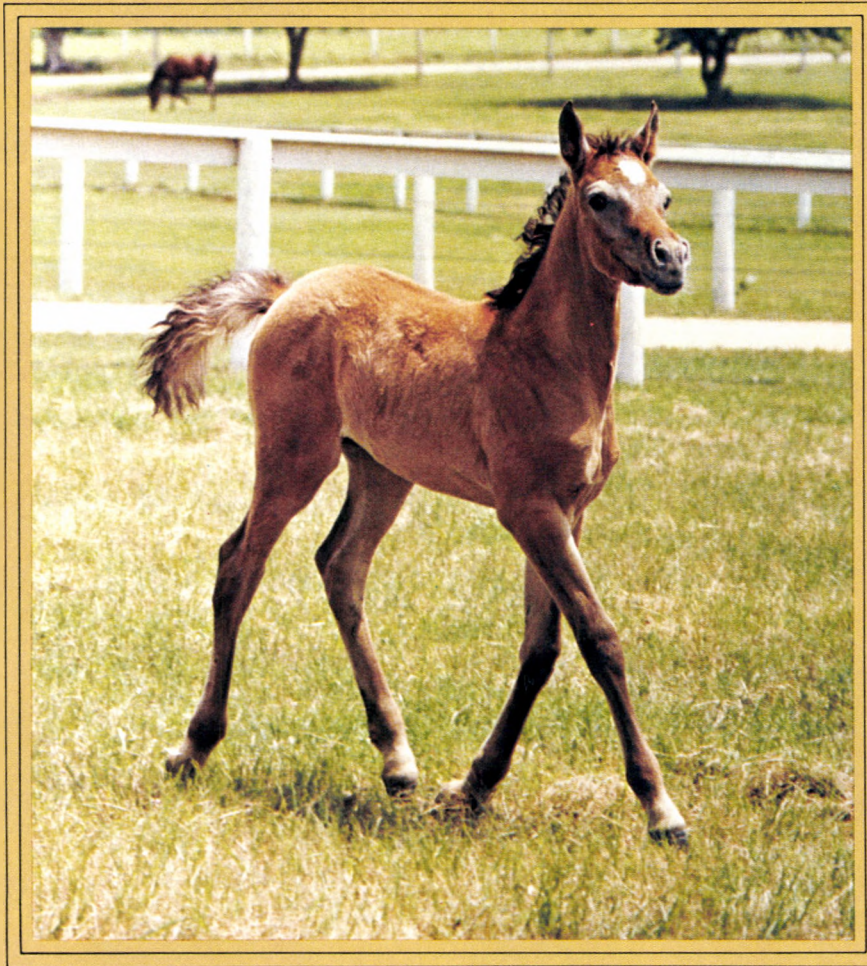
Nazeer	*Ansata Ibn Halima ++
Halima	
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FAHIMA



(Pending)

1982 Grey Filly

*Ansata Ibn Halima ++
Princess Nile

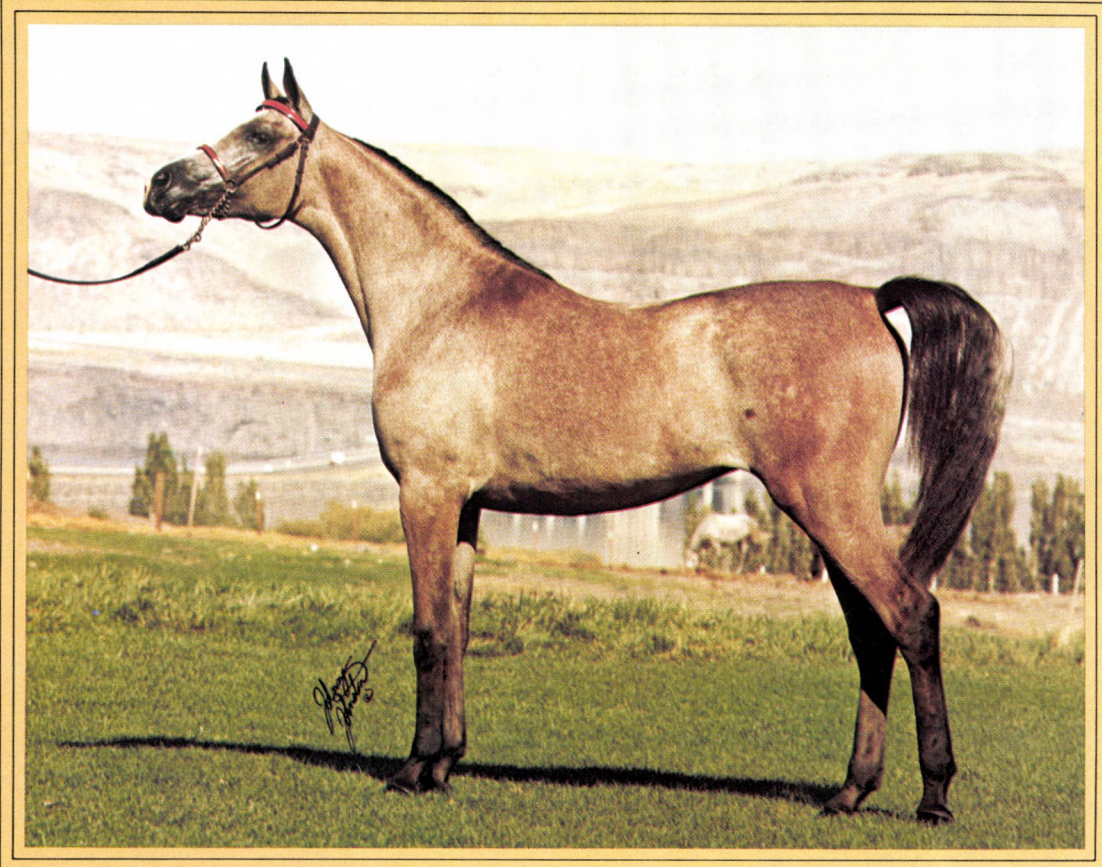
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MONALAI



1980 Grey Mare

*Ansata Ibn Halima ++
*Bint Nefisa
*Morafic
*Bint Mona

El Hilal
Illaila

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ANSATA IBN BUKRA



Ansata Abu Sudan x *Ansata Bint Bukra
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Zichy-Thyssen Arabians is dedicated to the creation and perpetuation of the classic Arabian horse through our ranches in South America, and our base of operations in the U.S.A. at Ansata International Bloodstock Center.

Our involvement with Ansata has given us the privilege of sharing in a meaningful and respected program.

We enthusiastically look forward to our continued association in developing appreciation for the classic Arabian horse on both continents, and around the world.

Count Federico A. Zichy-Thyssen

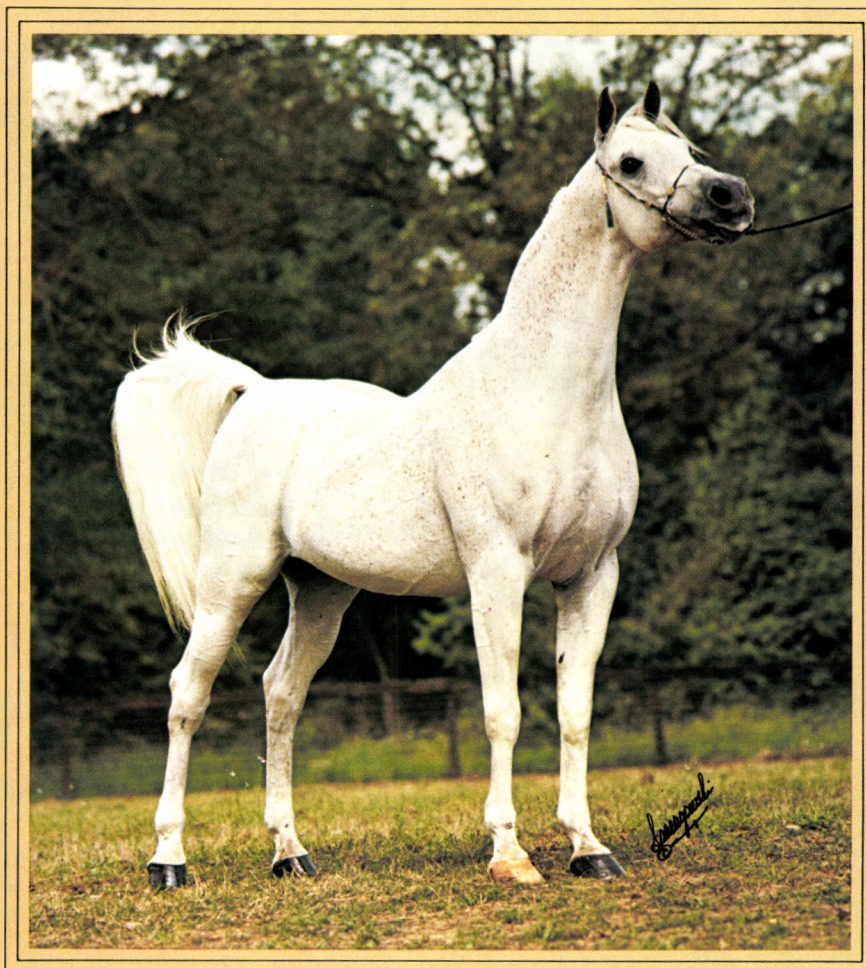


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PARAGUAY



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ANSATA MONAHALIMA



*Ansata Ibn Halima ++	Nazeer Halima
*JKB Mamdouhah	Kaisoon Moneera

Ansata Monahalima ideally represents the quality of Egyptian Arabian both Ansata and JKB Blue Arabians are creating together. We are grateful for a long-time friendship and meaningful association.



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* JKB MAMDOUHAH



Nazeer	Kaisoon
Bint Kateefa	
Alaa El Din	Moneera
Mona	

*JKB MAMDOUHAH is the dam of the magnificent filly pictured opposite, and a 1982 filly by Ansata Ibn Sudan of exceptional linebred Saqlawi quality. She is being rebred to Ibn Sudan for a 1983 foal, thus intensifying the Moniet el Nefous lineage as well as Nazeer.

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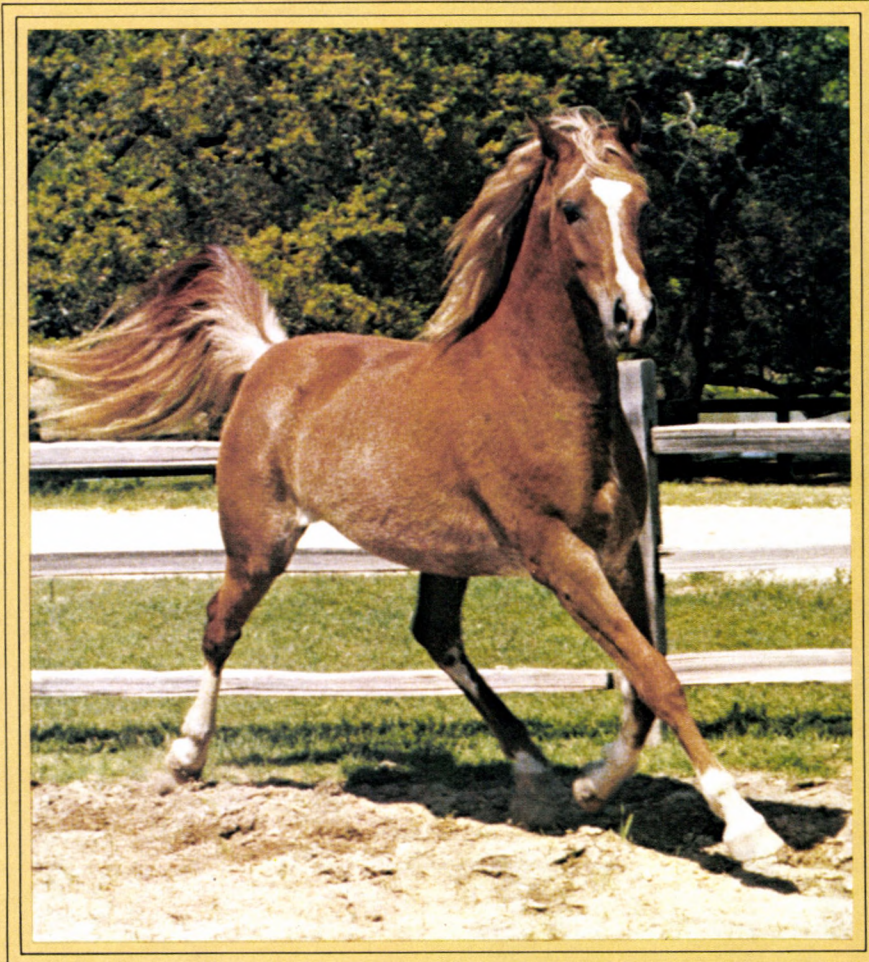
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JKB BINT SUDAN



Ansata Ibn Sudan	*Ansata Ibn Halima ++ (by Nazeer)
	*Ansata Bint Mabrouka (by Nazeer)
Bint Bint Mona	*Morafic (by Nazeer)
	Bint Mona (by Nazeer)

JKB Bint Sudan is intensely linebred to Moniet el Nefous (three crosses) and to Nazeer (four crosses). She also reflects the consistent quality of her breeding as an individual.



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JKB BINT NEHAYA



*Morafic Moniet El Nefous	*Ibn Moniet El Nefous
*Ansata Ibn Halima ++	Nehaya
*Hoyeda	


JKB Bint Nehaya ideally combines the *Ansata Ibn Halima/*Morafic cross in a pedigree of intensely linebred Saqlawi ancestry. She is in foal to Ansata Ibn Sudan for 1983, and her 1981 colt, Ansata Zaki Halim by *Ansata Ibn Halima, has just been syndicated in South Carolina.

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*Ansata Rhodora (by
*Ansata Ibn
Halima) and Ansata
Bint Sudan (by
Ansata Ibn Sudan),
both out of *Ansata
Bint Bukra.*

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ANSATA LETTERS

*Willis & Jimmie Flick
Glenglade Arabian Horse Farm
Miami, Florida*

In our quest for an Arabian horse, we visited many Arabian farms in the early 1960's. We came to the conclusion that the Egyptian horses were what we thought an Arabian should look like and the ones we wanted to spend a lifetime breeding. There was one drawback. They were scarce and no one would sell us one. Somehow we heard about the Forbises and their lovely imported stallion from Egypt, so our next flight was to Chickasha, Oklahoma, where we saw young *ANSATA IBN HALIMA. He was breathtakingly beautiful!

After corresponding with Judi and Don in Turkey, it was a great surprise to meet Judi one night with her father at a club in Miami Beach. Several months later we acquired our first straight Egyptian colt from the Forbises — ANSATA ALI PASHA. He was also the first foal to be sold by Ansata. We lost him at four years of age, but not before he had made his mark as a beautiful and promising young stallion. He was a champion at halter in the United States and Canada. Again we returned to Ansata and purchased another colt, ANSATA EL NASERI, who is a son of ANSATA IBN SUDAN and *ANSATA BINT BUKRA. He is now 13 years old and everything we expected.

So our friendship with the Forbises goes back a long way. We have admired their beautiful stallions and lovely mares for many years and to us, Ansata means quality and beauty. Ansata also means friendship. We shall never forget the night Don drove 150 miles to put some medicine, which we needed for a desperately ill foal, on an airplane so that it would be in Miami by morning.

Thanks and good luck to Judi, Don and all the Ansata horses. The Arabian breed is better because you came along.

*Margaret and Douglas Marshall
Gleannloch Farms
Barksdale and Spring, Texas*

During the late '50s, we began a series of trips throughout Arabia which consumed many months over a period of several years lasting well into the '60s. Our paths covered Arabia Deserta like a spider's web from the Atlantic to the Arabian Gulf and from the shores of the Mediterranean to the border of Yemen, with most of our time being spent on the Arabian peninsula itself. Cities such as Amman, Baghdad, Damascus and Riyadh became almost home to us.

I believe it was in Aleppo that friends first asked if we knew some people named Forbis from America who were also interested in horses and had been there or were coming soon. The same question was asked with increasing frequency as we journeyed, but we and the Forbises were never in the same place at the same time.

We were searching for the Arabian horse of the antique type described in the old poems and stories and portrayed in old paintings. It was evident that Don and Judi were engaged in the same quest. Such searches had to end in Cairo, where that type had been collected and preserved since what are now ancient days when the horses were plentiful in Arabia. It was in Cairo that we finally met Don and Judi and that meeting was one of those magic things that occur so rarely during lifetimes. We have been the closest of friends ever since.

We are grateful for our friendship with Don and Judi and grateful to them too for the many contributions they have made to the Arabian horse as breeders, in prose and in art. They are uniquely wonderful people and we are delighted to have this opportunity to publicly express our devotion to them in their issue of Arabian Horse World.

*Calvin and April Johnson
Apple Hill
Oxford, MS*

Another rags-to-riches or pauper-to-prince story? Another "It is true, it could happen to you!" song? Yes!

When Calvin and I first saw ANSATA EL NISR in 1970, we saw the vision of our perfect Arabian. In vain we tried to purchase him from Mrs. Alexander who had obtained him as a weanling from Ansata. Finally three years later he became available and we bought him. We promised Mrs. Alexander we would do everything in our power to see that NISR gained the recognition he deserved. At the Nationals that year, where I first met Judi Forbis, I told her of our purchase of ANSATA EL NISR and made the same promise to her.

I qualified NISR for the Nationals in 1976 and showed him myself when even nationally known women professionals were hard-pressed in stallion halter at the Nationals. We got the gate with some good horses. Though disappointed, I was undaunted, and qualified NISR again for the Nationals in 1978. This time I called Don and Judi Forbis for advice. I'll never forget that when I asked Don who should show NISR, he said "Well, April, I will show him for you." I was so excited and pleased by Don's offer and accepted immediately! NISR's dam *ANSATA BINT ZAAFARANA was a favorite mare of his and even though ANSATA EL NISR had left Ansata Stud at an early age, Don and Judi's support of us and NISR through the years would make the 1978 Nationals more than just "The Nationals."

For all of us it was a special moment of tribute to Ansata Stud, *ANSATA IBN HALIMA, *ANSATA BINT ZAAFARANA, Apple Hill and our friendship — all through the miracle of Don and ANSATA EL NISR, center ring, U.S. National Top Ten Stallion 1978!



The 1969 Cairo Conference. Planning for shipment of Egyptian horses to America were (left to right) Don Forbis, Rhita McNair, Ranzy Hegazy, Doug Marshall, Judi Forbis, Tom McNair and Margaret Marshall.



Dr. Marsafi snapped this photo of Don and Judi studying their first three "children" in Cairo.

losing sight of purpose. Judi and Don have etched a place for Ansata in Arabian horse history. We are indeed fortunate to know them.

*Pat and Bill Trapp
Arabest Stud Farm
Big Bend, Wisconsin*

We have been privileged to know Don and Judi Forbis for a number of years and have the greatest respect for their knowledge and dedication to the Arabian breed.

They have always been open-minded and willing to help those who are equally dedicated. In addition, they have been true pioneers in their faith in a type of Arabian horse that is both beautiful and useful.

They have also been able to create their own special "look" in their horses, that is not only uniform in their bloodstock, but more importantly, will nick successfully with other Arabian lines. This is what the true breeder hopes to accomplish, but too often lacks the genetic pool to realize.

We are grateful to Don and Judi for their friendship; grateful that they are in the Arabian "business," and thankful to have some of their valuable blood in our own broodstock.

*Judith Kurth
Roy W. Kurth, Jr.
Alameda Arabian Farm
Lufkin, Texas*

The blood of Ansata horses influenced the quality of our breeding many years before Judi and Don Forbis were to become our neighbors and friends in Lufkin.

The purchase of straight Egyptian HOSSNY, by *ANSATA IBN HALIMA, from Gleannloch Farms infused type and athletic ability into our herd that stamped a "Hossny" look on all our foals. Although HOSSNY himself now resides in Paraguay with Count and Countess Zichy-Thyssen, his sons IBN HOSSNY and SHAHRAQ (1982 Top Ten AOTR English Pleasure in Scottsdale) continue to impart the unmistakable look of elegance and fluid motion that *ANSATA IBN HALIMA so consistently passes down the generations.

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Nothing happens without its ups and downs, without friends, hope and help along the way. Thank you, Don and Judi — I am proud we were able to keep that promise.

*Jerry and Jane Sparagowski
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma*

Don and Judi Forbis are very special people to Jane and me. They were our first encounter with "Arabian Horse People," and in them was present all the fire and excitement for their horses that has become a standard at Ansata.

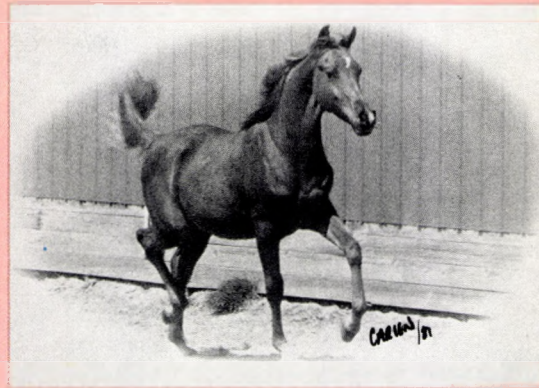
Their new place in Mena, Arkansas, is perfect. Everything is in harmony. It is a place where there is love for all animals. Judi has a rapport with animals that defies the five senses. Whether it be "Mama Cat," who was rescued, cared for and adopted after a permanently crippling accident and made an inside family member; their many beautiful bird friends, or of course, the horses — all find safe harbor at Ansata.

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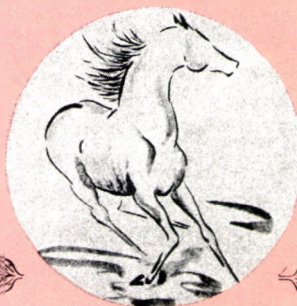
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Multi-Grand Championships
Multi-Regional Championships
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(El Hilal x Esperanzo Mara)

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(El Hillal x Serella - *Serafix)

1981 2-year-old show record:
Multi-Junior Championships
Multi-Grand Championships

Owned by:
Kaz Watanabe
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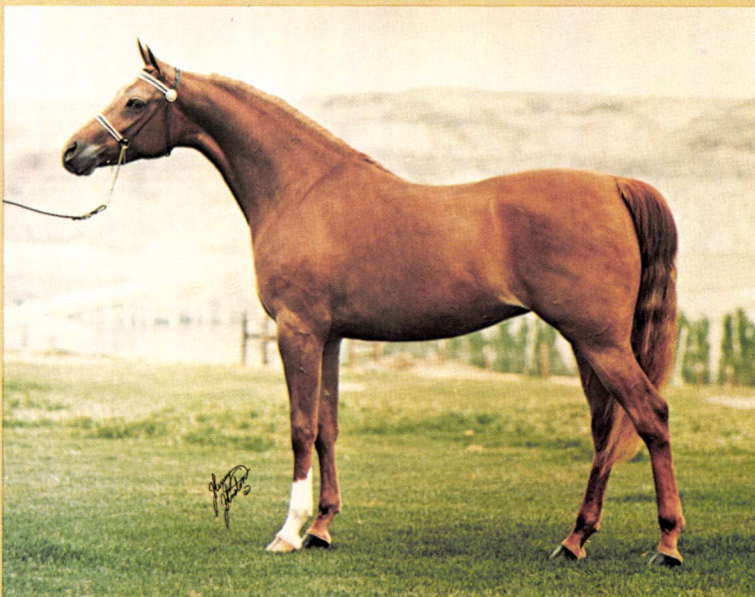


EL LESHA

(El Hillal x Darobona - *Cytrys)

1981 2-year-old show record:
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Multi-Grand Championships

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We are proud that our *ANSATA IBN HALIMA daughter TELIMA is still producing at age 15. She is an international broodmatron, having produced children residing in Brazil and Mexico as well as being the granddam of a Top Ten Western Pleasure mare. BAIRAQ +, son of HOSSNY and now deceased, was a Top Ten AOTR English Pleasure Horse and winner of numerous stallion and English pleasure championships.

The genetic strength of *ANSATA IBN HALIMA is a major ingredient of success in our breeding program, and our association with Judi and Don Forbis continues to be a pleasure and an inspiration.

*Mark M. Mayo
Maple YL Ranch
Beaver, Oklahoma*

We are a third generation working cattle ranch in the Oklahoma Panhandle and have used Arabians since 1948 when my grandmother purchased three head from Van Vleets at one of their Sunday shows. The mare purchased was FERZARIE (*Zarife x Ferka) and she was carrying SAGITTA by KAHAR. We had learned from Dr. and Mrs. Keith Krausnick that a young couple working for Halliburton Company had recently brought over some outstanding yearlings from Egypt and that we should meet them, particularly since they felt SAGITTA's bloodlines would match well with those of their young stallion.

Our first meeting in Chickasha with Don and Judi Forbis resulted in a breeding program featuring a concentration of Ansata blood that is being developed here as ranch cow horses. Let me assure you and any doubters that they are indeed tops and it is probably time we started advertising it.

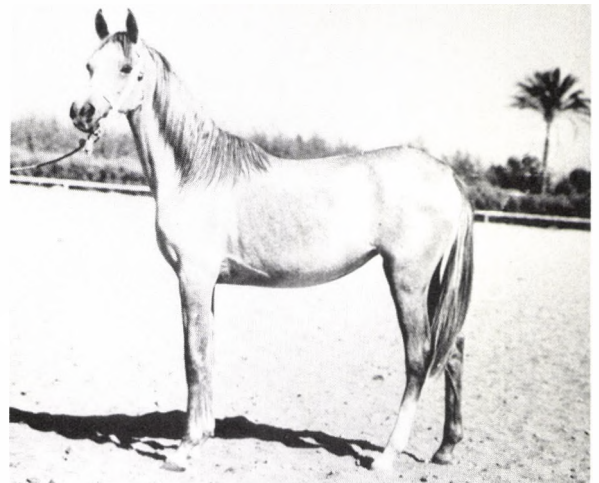
*Fred R. Bennett III
Bukra Arabian Stud
Eastman, Georgia*

The highlight of my involvement with Ansata came with my purchase of a double *ANSATA IBN HALIMA grandson, ANSATA IBN AZIZA. My quest for this classic colt probably didn't encompass quite as much as

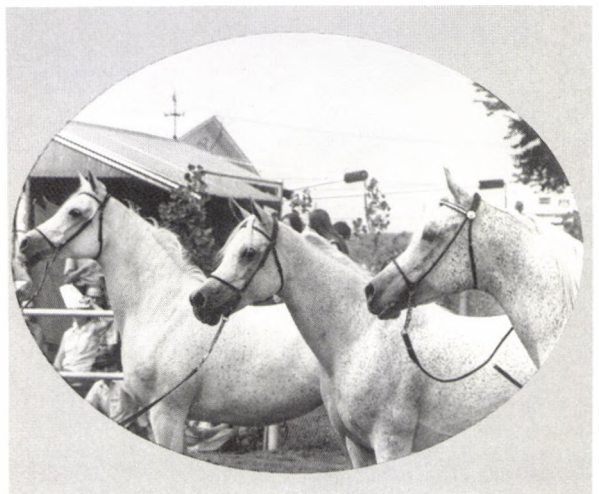
*Don and *ANSATA
IBN HALIMA in
1959 in Cairo.*



**ANSATA BINT
MABROUKA
(Nazeer x Mabrouka)
in Egypt in 1959
when selected as a
yearling.*



*The 1959 Ansata
imports that
re-introduced
Egyptian Arabians to
America (left to
right): *ANSATA
IBN HALIMA,
*ANSATA BINT
ZAAFARANA, and
*ANSATA BINT
MABROUKA.*





Apollo, a champion dancing horse, was a frequent performer at festivals and special events in Cairo. This photo appears in Judith Forbis' book The Classic Arabian Horse (Liveright, 1976).

some of the Forbis' import stories, but to a country boy from Georgia it seemed as though it did.

I remember the cool autumn morning I pulled into the Ansata ranch in Mena. What a sight! I don't think seeing the Nile or the great pyramids in Egypt could have been a more moving experience. But my fondest memory would come later.

The Forbises and I were standing in one of the pastures which lie in the foothills of the Ouachita Mountains. Some weaning foals had been turned out, and as we watched them prance and dance, I happened to turn and look at Mr. and Mrs. Forbis. I'll never forget the looks on their faces. There they stood smiling radiantly, and I could see a look of pride and fulfillment in their eyes, reflecting over two decades in a business they love. I thought to myself, "These are not only great horsemen, these are great people." Their wisdom and kindness will remain a source of inspiration to me for many years to come. They represent what Arabian horse breeding was destined to be.

Although I am just beginning my journey into Arabian horse breeding, I realize now what Mrs. Forbis was trying to convey in the summation of her book, *The Classic Arabian Horse*— "Arabian horses provide the grand essentials to happiness in this life: something to do, something to love and something to hope for." It was with this in mind that I named my breeding farm Bukra (Egyptian for "Tomorrow") Arabian Stud.

*Wayne and Carol Burton
Greensands Arabian Farm
Philpot, Kentucky*

I'll never forget our first visit to Ansata, in Texas — temperature around 96. Don Forbis was kind enough to give us a personal farm tour — we were shown every mare, foal and stallion on the farm and quoted each one's pedigree.

All of the Ansata horses are special to us for the amazing beauty they possess and for the consistency with which they pass it on. *ANSATA IBN

HALIMA ++ was the epitome of the classic Arabian stallion. We are very proud to have a young son of his born March 11, 1981, out of our beautiful Shaikh Al Badi daughter, SHAIKHS NILE DAWN. His name is HALIM EL HIRAH and he is a dream come true for us.

*Ira and Annie Jones
Valy-Hi Arabians
Dickinson, Texas*

We have more faith in *ANSATA IBN HALIMA ++'s progeny than any other we have yet to encounter. When we started our breeding farm, we thought a long time about which bloodline we wanted to have associated with our name. Our unanimous decision was *ANSATA IBN HALIMA's grandson LIMA-ZORRO and granddaughter QUE-HALIMA. Now we have purchased his great-grandson by the famous *SAKR, SAKR AL MAHRISI. All three horses have numerous halter championships. Thank you, Don and Judith, for putting us and our horses in the winning circle.



Tom McNair winning a park championship on *ANSATA IBN HALIMA ++ in 1965.



Don and Judith Forbis at the Arabian Horse Fair in Virginia.

*Rhita McNair
Gleannloch Farms
Spring, Texas*

Ibn Halima was a very special friend of ours many years ago, and we'll never forget him or his accomplishments that year he was with us at Gleannloch: winning in halter and in park and breeding the Gleannloch mares, all in his first season of showing. In performance, I had the honor of winning his very first blue: the English pleasure class at Scottsdale in 1965. He was a favorite of mine for rides through the woods, or showing at halter. How very much we wish we might have had him with us longer.

*Dale and Wyona Worthington
Dana Arabian Stud
Roy, Washington*

Everyone benefits from the dedication of Don and Judi Forbis to the classic beauty of the Arabian. They willingly

share their time and talent with both the "big" and the "little" breeder.

After several years of correspondence and visits, we were able to acquire the *ANSATA IBN HALIMA son, ANSATA EMIR HALIM. His dam is the lovely ANSATA SHAH ZAMAN daughter ANSATA DELILAH — broodmare supreme! To say that EMIR HALIM has changed our lives is a vast understatement. However, he rewards our efforts with beautiful foals. To be building our breeding program upon the experience of the Forbises is to know that we have a very solid foundation.

*Brenda Garrison
Dallas, Texas*

A visit to Ansata Stud nearly 10 years ago fixed in my mind the image of the Arabian Horse. Although Ansata had horses which were magnificent individually, I think that the Stud will be remembered in years to come much as the stables of Abbas Pasha and Ali

Sherif: that is, for the overall quality of the herd. The small herd I saw was uniformly remarkable for beauty and ability.

In the Arab horse world, breeding programs come and go based on fads. Each seems to fade into history with nothing before and nothing of note left behind. This will not be the case with Ansata. Their horses came with a history of the best from the desert and they continue to produce exquisitely-made, very correct horses. They are now producing their third and even fourth generation and they have not lost one bit of the fire and beauty I saw in Oklahoma 10 years ago.

*David Gardner
Gardner Bloodstock, Ltd.
China Spring, Texas*

While at Bentwood Farm, I had the good fortune of working with a number of *Ansata Ibn Halima get and
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